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Locals play Burro B-Ball



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Hundreds of Grayling residents attended the donkey basketball game held at the Grayling Middle School on Saturday, which was organized by the Grayling Rotary Club. Area business, governmental officials and Crawford AuSable School District administrators competed against each other in the basketball match between the Grayling Small Stars and Rotary Dream Team. Above, George Stancil, a member of Rotary Dream Team, and Doug Pummell, the Crawford AuSable School District's athletic director who played for the Grayling Small Stars, give a donkey ride to Emily Canary, 1, of Grayling as part of the game's halftime activities. Left, Doniel Pummell, the Grayling High School principal and a Rotary Dream Team player, scored several shots in the second half of the game.

City approves new planning and zoning fees

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council approved a new fee schedule to help recover the costs involved with reviewing and processing planning and zoning requests.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer recommended the fee revisions for planning and zoning cases while reviewing city policies.

The City of Grayling took over zoning and planning duties from Crawford County in 2000. The city was charging fees for zoning and planning permits as well as for meetings held by the city planning commission and zoning board of appeals.

Now, a property owner will be charged fees for activities such as reviewing the ordinance, site plans and the legality of a request and for making on site inspections. The fees would also cover the costs for publishing required public notices, notifying surrounding property owners and scheduling and conducting public hearings.

Thayer recommended the fee changes because he was concerned that applicants may make planning or zoning requests, requiring the city to spend time and funds handling the case, but the property owner may not follow through with the plans.

"By charging the fees associ-

ated with the request, we separate the pretenders from the contender," Thayer said.

The initial fee for a site plan review is \$375 plus \$20 per acre, and \$400 for a final site plan review plus \$20 per acre. A \$250 fee will be charged for a special use application for a residential project, \$250 for a clustered housing development or commercial project plus the site plan review fee.

The fee for a variance request for a commercial and residential property is \$300.

The planning fee for a rezoning application is \$400 plus \$10 per acre.

The fee for an annexation request is \$500 plus \$20 per acre.

The fee charged for a tax abatement request is \$500 or 2 percent of the tax break request.

The fee for an appeal to the city's zoning board of appeals is \$150.

The city will charge expenses accrued for engineering review of a project, plus a 10 percent administration fee. Additional legal fees will be charged to the planning or zoning permit applicant.

New zoning fees for commercial and residential properties are based on the square footage of

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Avita Artesian Water brings home silver medal

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Water bottled at a plant in Beaver Creek Township by Avita Artesian Water was judged to be among the top tastiest bottled waters in a national competition held last month.

Avita Artesian Water earned a silver medal in the best-bottled water category at the Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting Festival for water bottled under the John Deere Artesian Water private label.

Bottled and municipal waters from 23 states and 10 foreign countries were judged at the 17th annual Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting Festival. The competition is held in Berkeley, W.Va., as part of the Winter Festival of the Waters.

Water master Arthur von Wiesenberger, a noted expert and author from Santa Barbara, trains media judges and directs the challenge of evaluating a product where tastiness is the most sought after quality.

The judges sniff and taste water under guidelines similar to those used for a wine tasting competition.

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Avita Artesian Water earned a silver medal in the best-bottled water category at the Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting Festival for water bottled under the John Deere Artesian Water private label. Above, Chuck Haltiner, the assistant plant manager at the Avita Artesian Water plant in Beaver Creek Township, mans the bottling line.

Crime lab polygrapher recognized with award

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

An investigator from the Grayling Forensic Science Laboratory has been recognized for his ongoing research for polygraph examination.

Spec. Sgt. James McCloughan of the Grayling Forensic Science Laboratory received the first annual David L. Motsinger Horizon Award from the American Polygraph Association for his accomplishments in the polygraph profession.

The award was presented at the annual American Polygraph Association conference in Las Vegas last month.

The David L. Motsinger Horizon Award recognizes individuals with less than 10 years of experience or members of the American Polygraph Association

who, early in their career, demonstrate loyalty, professionalism and dedication to the polygraph profession.

McCloughan has been working at the Grayling Forensic Science Laboratory since 2000. Polygraph involves measuring a person's physiological responses such as their blood pressure, pulse and respiration while being questioned in attempt to determine their guilt or innocence for a crime.

McCloughan was recognized for his research on a polygraph technique called the concealed information test. Instead of asking a suspect direct questions about a crime such as a bank robbery, McCloughan said the concealed information test involves

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asking a variety of questions to determine if a person is attempting to conceal knowledge of a crime.

"As long as the information is kept concealed, only that person who has that information and is concealing that information is going to have knowledge of the crime," McCloughan said. "An innocent person would not know that information."

McCloughan has been doing research on the concealed information test for the past couple of years, and will continue to test the viability of the test.

"Research is always ongoing. It's never final," McCloughan said. "Polygraph is just an instrument. There are different techniques used with polygraph, and this is just one of them."

McCloughan said the concealed information test is used by

state and federal investigators across the country, and is widely used in other countries. The testing technique was first introduced in 1959.

"It's not a new technique," he said. "It's just a technique that never took hold."

Connie Swander, lab director for the Grayling Forensic Science Laboratory, was pleased to see McCloughan recognized for his work on behalf of the lab and the Michigan State Police.

"Jim is an excellent polygraph examiner and is one of our best examiners in the state," Swander said. "We're just very proud that one of our own received the award."

McCloughan joined the Michigan State Police in 1994, and graduated as a member of the 110th Trooper Recruit School. After graduation, he was assigned to the Flint Michigan State Police Post. McCloughan, who was assigned to the crime

lab in 2000, said he has always had an interest in polygraph and forensic science.

"I waited to apply for my assignment to the crime lab until I put my time in doing investigations out in the field," he said.

McCloughan is one of two polygraph examiners at the lab. He said one polygrapher handles between 100 and 150 polygraph examinations per year.

"Every case is important," he said.

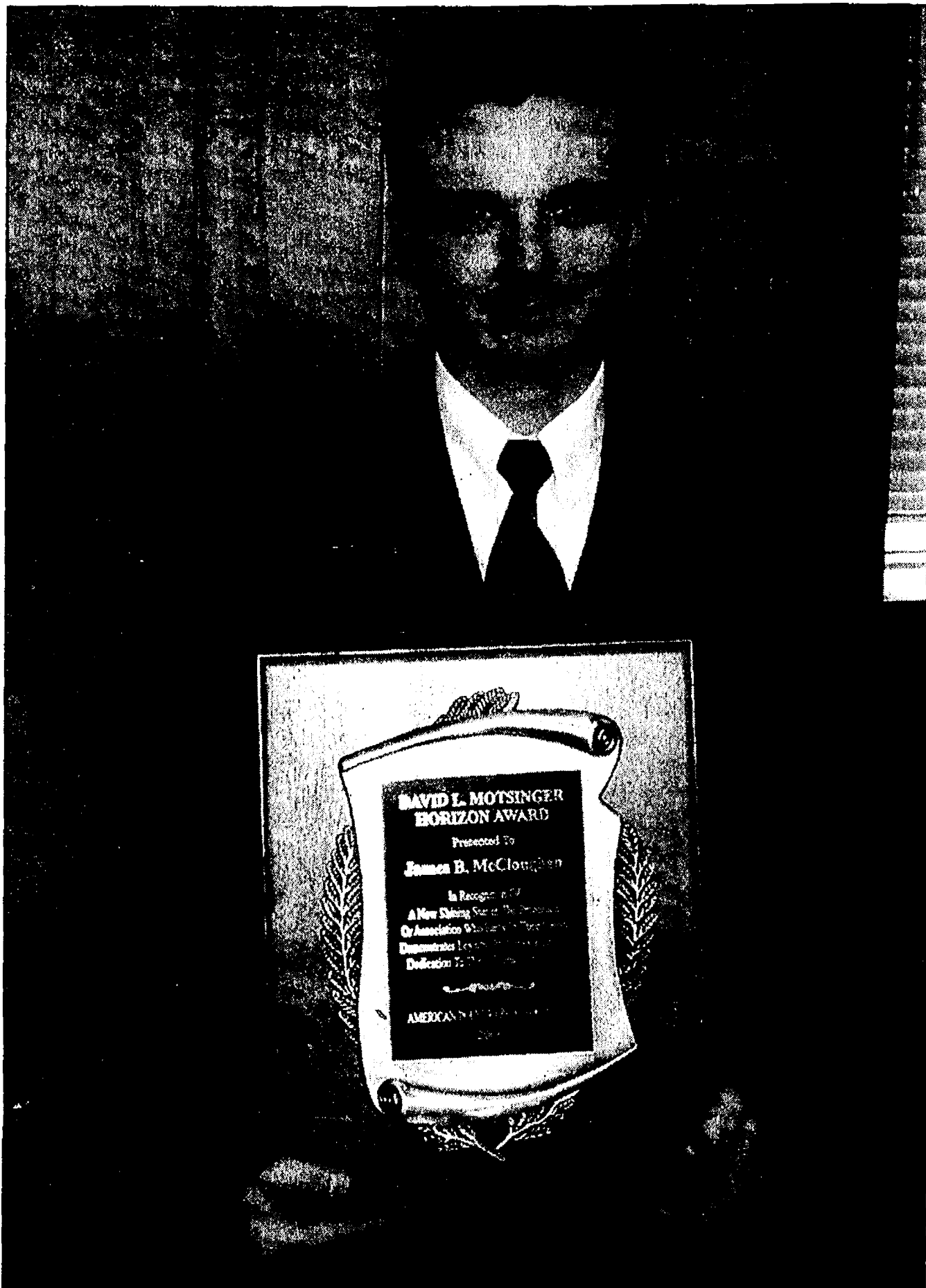


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Head on collision kills two from Luzerne

A mother and son from Luzerne were killed on Saturday when the car they were traveling in lost control and struck a semi-tractor trailer on M-72.

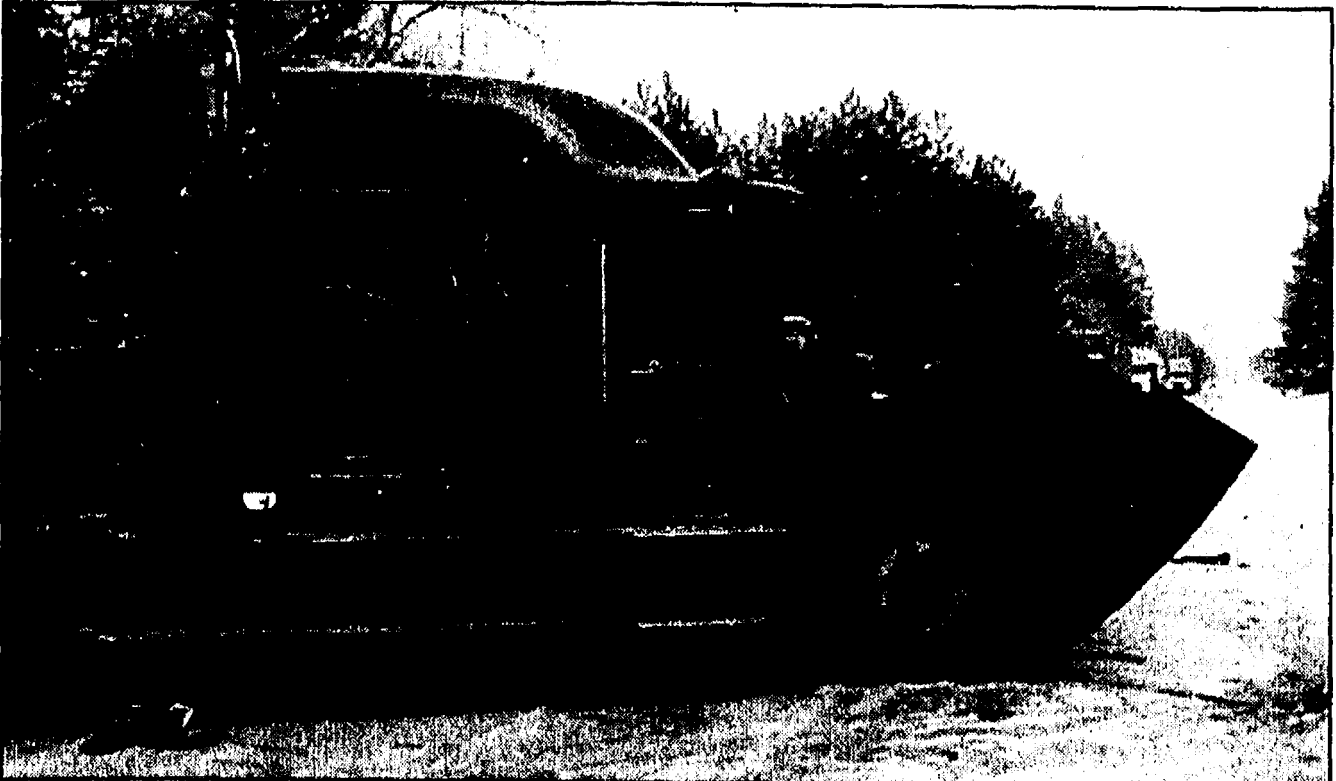
The initial report indicated that two individuals were trapped in a vehicle and that a semi was across the road.

Edward-James Kevin McNamara, 16, and his mother, Dawne Daleen McNamara, 40, of Lucerne, were killed in the accident. Seat belts were worn in the accident, police said.

Upon investigation, deputies learned that the son began fish tailing while driving eastbound on M-72, had trouble regaining control of the vehicle and crossed the centerline, striking an oncoming tractor trailer. The semi driver, who was not injured, did everything possible to control his rig, but was unable to avoid the crash.

Assistance was requested and received from the Grayling City Police Department and Troopers from Michigan State Police Posts in Houghton Lake and Gaylord.

The accident is still under investigation.



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Weight restrictions in effect for commercial truck traffic

Weight restrictions for commercial truck traffic will be imposed and enforced on state trucklines from the southern Michigan border north and including the entire stretch of US-10 at Ludington, in Mason County, and east to and including M-25 and the thumb area, in Huron County.

There are no restrictions for legal axle weight loads on roads designated as "all-season trucklines." All extended permits will be valid for oversized loads in the weight-restricted area on the restricted routes. Single trip permits will not be issued for any overweight loads or loads exceeding 14 feet in width on the restricted routes.

For weight restriction information and updates, call 800-787-8960, or access MDOT's Web site at www.michigan.gov/mdot under "Favorite Links," then click on "Truckers Services." All-season routes are designated in green and gold on the MDOT Truck Operators Map, which is available online at www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,1067,7-151-9622_11033_32060-98220--,00.html.

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and the list is growing.....

"Working Here In Our Community"

Antique Roadshow



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Volunteers for Wellington Farms, USA, held their Antique Roadshow dinner at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Saturday as a fund-raiser for the farm park. Dinner attendees received a free antique appraisal from Glen Rairigh, the owner and supervising auctioneer for American Auctions, a nationally recognized auction firm, as part of the evenings festivities. Above, Michael Wood, a Wellington Farm, USA volunteer, holds a vase as Rairigh does the appraisals at the dinner.

Freedom Salute ceremony held for 1071st Maintenance Co.

Approximately 155 soldiers from the 1071st Maintenance Company, Michigan Army National Guard, Grayling, were recognized with a Freedom Salute Campaign awards ceremony held at the Grayling High School on Sunday for their 15-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The unit was called to active duty January 2005 and arrived home March 2006.

While in Iraq, the 1071st supported the maintenance needs of various units such as the 42nd Infantry Division, the Tennessee National Guard's 278th Brigade Combat Team, and the 2nd

Marine Division.

The Freedom Salute Campaign ceremony also recognizes and honored the families, employers and other "centers of influence" of each Guard member.

During the ceremony, each soldier received an encased American flag, lapel insignia, commemorative coin and a certificate of appreciation. Spouses were recognized with a commemorative lapel pin. Employers and other centers of influence also received medallions.

The American Legion Post #106 in Grayling held a luncheon for 1071st Maintenance

Company troops and their families following the Freedom Salute Campaign awards ceremony.

Today, approximately 1,600 Michigan National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are deployed across the globe, at locations such as Iraq, Kuwait and Afghanistan. Since Sept. 11, 2001, approximately 80 percent of the Michigan Guard has been deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. However, as Michigan troops serve the nation, more than 80 percent of the Michigan Guard remains available and ready to

respond to a state emergency including a terrorist event.



Cpt. Jason Teddy, the former commander of the 1071st Maintenance Company, is pictured with Col. Jim Anderson, the Assistant Adjutant General - Army National Guard, wife, Jamie, and daughter, Ava, as he receives his encased American flag during the Freedom Salute Campaign awards ceremony. Teddy, a graduate from Grayling High School, led the 1071st Maintenance Company during the 15-month mission in Iraq.

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the building, addition or for an existing structure being remodeled.

Failure to obtain a zoning per-

mit application will result in a fine three times the permit charge.

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with a project before going through the necessary steps that may force us to demand that a structure be removed," Thayer said.

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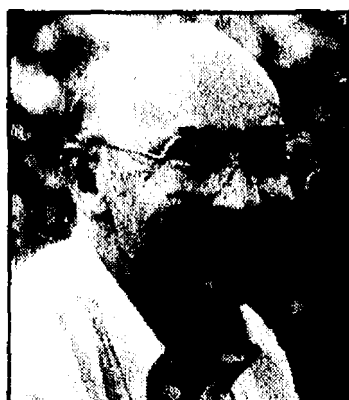
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

Governor takes to the road to sell budget plans

AS IF VOTERS hadn't heard enough about Michigan's state budget problems, Gov. Jennifer Granholm is taking to the hustings to tell them once more.

It's the latest version of the same old problem state government has been facing year in and year out, or so it seems. Ms. Granholm plans to tell the people of Michigan about it once more, and to see what they want to do about it.

State government cannot make ends meet. Huge budget deficits loom. The current state fiscal year ending September 30 needs about \$800 million more to balance its books, and the next fiscal year beginning October 1 needs about \$3 billion more to come into balance.

To her credit, Gov. Granholm has put forth her proposals, which include both cutting some planned spending plus raising

some new dollars with new and adjusted taxes. If adopted, she claims they will fill the holes.

As always, the devil is in the details. Republicans controlling the state senate rejected her programs, but promised to work out something that would fill the gaps. That hasn't happened so far, and that's why the governor has taken to the stump.

Under her reasoning, if the people around the state understand what's needed, they will accept her program — or some variation of it — and signal their acceptance to elected lawmakers of both parties and solutions will be at hand.

SEVERAL FACTORS may interfere with this scenario.

The chosen method of taxpayer communication is hour-long televised town hall meetings in Flint, Detroit, Grand Rapids and

Lansing during the next week or so, and in Traverse City later in the month.

Presumably those TV shows will blanket the entire state, except possibly the Upper Peninsula, and newspaper and other media coverage of the events will supplement and reinforce the message to the public.

If the people know the facts, the reasoning goes, they will demand action.

But will the people tune in? Will they read about it ... again?

Already this message has been spread around the state through every informational method possible since the governor's state of the state message. Just about everybody who cares already knows what's involved ... at least in part.

Jennifer Granholm is a very effective communicator, both in person and on TV. Her traveling

sales pitch could work.

So far the key message that has come through to the public is that the governor wants to raise our taxes. The people understand that part of it: She wants to make us to pay a service tax on haircuts and when we go to the movies. The almost universal reaction is "we already pay enough taxes ... why don't they just stop spending so much of our tax money and cut out the waste?"

THE ANSWER for Michigan is not as simple as just cutting spending again. The state has been doing that each year for several years, and the situation gets no better.

Another factor is that during the past several years, Michigan's economic troubles have destroyed jobs here, especially manufacturing jobs. Fewer paychecks mean lower tax revenues

to the state. Closed factories don't pay taxes either. Our tax base is lower.

Also consider that for a dozen years or more, Michigan has been cutting taxes one way or another, and this dedication to tax cutting has helped put the state where it is today.

If all the tax cuts which began in rosier economic times under former Gov. John Engler could be reinstalled at their levels of 10 or 15 years ago before tax cut fever took over, our current budget problems probably would be solved, or might not ever have developed.

CAN STATE spending be cut again? Certainly it's possible. But is it a good idea? Will the customers — the taxpayers and users of state services — benefit from the results?

One part of Gov. Granholm's

message of salvation for Michigan has been heard loud and strong. That's the part that we should pay more taxes to support our state.

People have responded to that part of the message because it hits almost everyone right in the pocketbook.

The second part of her message is a lot more difficult to get across, partly because it's not as easily personified. That's the part where the state — and that means all of us — will be weakened if we don't pay more.

But does that really affect you or me?

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

International Women's Day is March 8

To the editor:

In 1975, the United Nations began celebrating March 8 as International Women's Day. The General Assembly cited two reasons: to recognize the fact that securing peace and social progress and the full enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms require the active participation of women, and to acknowledge the contribution of women to the strengthening of international peace and security. For the women of the world, the Day's symbolism has a wider meaning: It is an occasion to review how far they have come in their struggle for equality, peace and development. It is also an opportunity to unite, network and mobilize for meaningful change.

We salute all the women of Crawford, Roscommon, Oscoda and Ogemaw and surrounding rural counties for their multiple contributions to the life, health, education, safety and enrichment

of women and their families in our communities.

I want to especially acknowledge the women who contribute to the health of our counties through all their efforts at Mercy Hospital, Mercy Home Care and Hospice, and the Mercy Family Care Centers. Many of these women work days, evenings, and/or nights to ensure that health care is available to all the persons in our rural communities. Many of these women spend multiple hours connecting with legislatures, planning and motoring budgets and quality of health service. Many of these women are members of families who will live and receive their health and education in our rural community. To all of these marvelous women of our rural area: We celebrate you. We thank you. You are a vital link to the world wide efforts of peace-making and development.

Jean Umlor, R.S.M.
Grayling

WASHINGTON NOTES

By Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

A clear and encroaching danger to the Great Lakes

Every March, advocates for the Great Lakes host a "Great Lakes Day" in Washington to focus national attention on these precious resources, which we in Michigan cherish and rely on every day. This month, I introduced two bills, along with other concerned Senators, that are urgently needed to prevent a potential catastrophe for the lakes from the invasion of Asian carp.

Asian carp pose a serious threat to the health of the Great Lakes. Asian carp grow quickly, reproduce often, consume large amounts of food needed by other species, and face no effective natural predator. If they are introduced here, the species could rapidly wipe out much of the current fish population — and fishing industry — in the Great Lakes. The trout, salmon, bass, perch, walleye, and other species we currently enjoy could essentially be pushed aside by this one voracious species.

Asian carp are already having a devastating impact on the Mississippi River basin. The carp are overtaking native fish species and undermining the traditional fishing industry. According to estimates from the state of Illinois, around 88 per-

cent of commercial fishermen on the Illinois River have been forced out of business because the catfish and buffalo fish they once caught are gone. Asian carp are also known as "jumping carp" and, in addition to the environmental and economic havoc they cause, they pose a real safety hazard for boaters, fishermen, and other sport users.

The species has been heading toward the Great Lakes and has been spotted as close as 50 miles from Lake Michigan. A few years ago, the government built a "dispersal barrier" on the canal connecting the Mississippi River and the Great Lakes to stop the advance of the carp and other invasive species. A dispersal barrier is essentially an electrified field that is highly uncomfortable for the fish, preventing them from crossing it. The barrier, however, was only designed for temporary use. It is wearing out and needs to be replaced.

Building a new dispersal barrier is a key provision of the National Aquatic Invasive Species Act of 2007, which I recently introduced in the Senate. After the second barrier is built, the first barrier would be improved to become a permanent barrier. The bill calls for the bar-

riers to be fully operated by the federal government.

The total cost of the National Aquatic Invasive Species Act would be \$150 million a year, but, although that is a significant amount of money, it is a bargain when compared to the economic destruction the Asian carp and other invasive species could cause. For example, the invasive zebra mussel has caused \$3 billion in economic damage over the past 10 years. Fishing on the Great Lakes is a \$4 billion per year industry. If the Asian carp reach the Great Lakes, it would be a body blow to an important industry and to Michigan's economy.

The National Aquatic Invasive Species Act includes several other provisions that are important for protecting our lakes. It takes a comprehensive, preventative approach toward the problem of aquatic invasive species rather than just focusing on what to do when a species is established and a nuisance. For example, many aquatic species invade a new ecosystem after being carried there as "stowaways" aboard a ship. This bill would set tougher standards for ensuring that a ship's ballast water does not contain living organisms and

would invest in new technologies for screening and eliminating organisms. Particularly important to the Great Lakes is the requirement that ships reporting "no ballast on board" flush out their ballast tanks before entering the lakes.

The second bill we introduced is called the Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act. This bill would require the government to recognize three species of Asian carp — the bighead, black and silver carp — as harmful to wildlife. By doing so, Congress would prohibit the interstate transportation or importation of live Asian carp without a permit and therefore reduce the risk that Asian carp will be introduced into the Great Lakes.

There is widespread agreement that the problem of aquatic invasive species needs to be addressed by Congress and specifically that Asian carp must not be allowed to reach the Great Lakes. I am optimistic that we will address invasive species in a comprehensive manner this year and will pass legislation to build a new dispersal barrier before it is too late.

Carl Levin is the senior U.S. Senator from Michigan.

Facts about Daylight Saving Time

On August 8, 2005, President George W. Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005 that changed the time change dates for Daylight Saving Time (DST) in the U.S. Starting in 2007, DST will begin on the second Sunday in March and end the first

Sunday in November. The Secretary of Energy will report the impact of this change to Congress.

Congress retains the right to resume the 2005 Daylight Saving Time schedule once the Department of Energy study is

complete.

This year clocks will spring ahead on Sunday, March 11.

The official spelling is Daylight Saving Time, not Daylight Savings Time. Many people feel the word savings flows better. Daylight Savings Time is also in common usage, and can be found in dictionaries. Adding to the confusion is that the phrase Daylight Saving Time is inaccurate, since no daylight is actually saved. Daylight Shifting Time would be better, but it is not as politically desirable.

In the U.S., clocks change at 2 a.m. local time. In spring, clocks spring forward from 1:59 a.m. to 3 a.m.; in fall, clocks fall back from 1:59 a.m. to 1 a.m.

In the U.S., restaurants and bars have various closing policies. In many states, liquor cannot be served after 2 a.m. But at 2 a.m. in the fall, the time switches back one hour. Bars do not stop serving liquor at 2 a.m., but

actually at 1:59 a.m.

In the U.S., 2 a.m. was originally chosen as the changeover time because it was practical and minimized disruption. Most people were at home and this was the time when the fewest trains were running. It is late enough to minimally affect bars and restaurants, and it prevents the day from switching to yesterday, which would be confusing. It is early enough that the entire continental U.S. switches by daybreak, and the changeover occurs before most early shift workers and early churchgoers are affected.

Many fire departments encourage people to change the batteries in their smoke detectors when they change their clocks because Daylight Saving Time provides a convenient reminder. More than 90 percent of homes in the United States have smoke detectors, but one-third are estimated to have dead or missing batteries.

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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

BRIEFS

COA to host historical speaker

The Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St., Grayling, will host Kay Cosgray from the Crawford County Historical Society, with information on Grayling history, Thursday, March 15, at 5 p.m. The cost of the meal is a suggested donation of \$2 for seniors 60+ or \$5 for those under 60. If you need information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

COA to host makeovers

The Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St., Grayling, will host free facials from Rhea at Rhea's Dollhouse Salon on Thursday, March 15, at 1 p.m. after lunch. Lunch will be served at noon, with a suggested donation of \$2 for seniors 60+ or \$5 for those under 60. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

Benefit dinner to be held

A benefit dinner for the Gugin family will be held on Sunday, March 11, from noon - 6 p.m., at Cathy's Cafe in Frederic. A buffet of spaghetti and chicken alfredo will be served for \$7. For information call 344-CAFE.

Eagles to hold breakfast

The Eagles #3465, Grayling, will host an all-you-can-eat breakfast on March 10, from 8 a.m. - noon. Cost is \$5 per person and is open to public.

VFW to hold hot dog social

The VFW Post 3736 and Ladies Auxiliary will hold a Hot Dog Social on March 13, at 6 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, Grayling. A meeting will be held at 7 p.m., with nominations for officers. Members are needed to be present.

Cub Scouts to hold Pinewood Derby

Cub Scout Pack 3993, will be holding their annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday, March 17, from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., at the AuSable Primary cafeteria. Cub Scouts are first through fifth graders who will race their hand made cars. The public is welcome to attend and can make their own car to race in the open class. Supplies to build your car can be obtained at Goodale's Bakery.

American Legion Auxillary to hold meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their meeting on March 14, at 3:30 p.m., at the American Legion Hall, Grayling.

Opportunity for Kohl's scholarships expires on Thursday, March 15

Time is running out for nominations. Adults have only 15 days left to nominate young volunteers for Kohl's Kids Who Care scholarships. The online nomination process is easy and could win volunteers ages 6 - 18 one of many \$1,000 and \$5,000 scholarships.

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship program is in its seventh year. With a focus on volunteerism rather than academic performance, these scholarships are given to youth making a difference in their communities through contributions of time and talent. Kohl's has more than \$200,000 to award but nominations must be received by March 15, 2007.

Past winners have been recognized for a variety of volunteer activities including unique fund raising efforts, planting urban gardens, riding bikes for charity, hurricane relief and so much more.

Kohl's will reward nearly

1,600 kids nationwide for their volunteer efforts. Youth volunteers are honored in two age categories: 6-12 and 13-18. Two nominees from each of Kohl's 817 stores will win \$50 Kohl's gift cards.

Store winners are then eligible for one of 170 regional scholarships and regional winners compete for 10 national scholarships. In addition to scholarship dollars, national winners will receive a \$1,000 donation to the charity of their choice. National winners will be announced in July.

The Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program is part of the company's Kohl's Cares for Kids program. Special Kohl's Cares for Kids merchandise is sold year-round with 100 percent of the net profits funding children's health and education opportunities nationwide.

Nominations are accepted through March 15 at www.kohlscholarship.com.

Mackinac Bridge posters available to public

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has announced that four limited-edition posters of the mighty Mackinac Bridge are available online for purchase (\$4 each/non-profits \$3.77 each) commemorating the national icon.

"On Nov. 1, 1957, the Mackinac Bridge began serving Michigan residents by connecting our beautiful peninsulas," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "Over time, the bridge has become a beloved Michigan landmark. We have captured some incredible images of the bridge that we would like to share with the public to commemorate this milestone."

The posters will not be available in stores, but can be ordered by phone, fax or mail. Each order must be paid by check or credit card. Complete instructions on how to order the posters, including illustrations of each of the four designs, can be found on MDOT's Web site <http://www.michigan.gov/mackinacbridge>.

Information about the posters also will be on display soon at all 13 of Michigan's Welcome Centers.

In December of 1999, the American Society of Civil Engineers recognized the bridge as Michigan's #1 civil engineering project of the 20th century.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for March 4 of \$25 each: Eric Bonamie, Bill Holton, and Gary Hamo.

United Way Care Night Auction is this Saturday night

If you love to have a great time and enjoy bargain shopping, you won't want to miss Care Night, this week at the Holiday Inn.

The annual Crawford County United Way auction is here again and starts Saturday at 5:30 p.m. with a hospitality hour. "This year promises to be an auction goer's delight with a tremendous variety of donated items for one to buy, or win," said Crawford County United Way Director Linda Williams.

The proceeds for this event help to provide needed funding to the 21 non-profit organizations the CCUW gives to in Crawford County.

The tickets are just \$15 and available at the Grayling Chamber office, the Crawford County Avalanche or at the door. "There will be a limited number of tickets at the door on a first come first serve basis, so reserve your tickets ahead of time for pick up at the door," said Williams.

The auction begins at 7 p.m. with guest auctioneers Joe

Smock and Randy Richardson. Thane Doremire, will be spinning the tunes for hospitality hour. Hospitality time and auction preview will feature a buffet of hor d'oeuvres and a cash bar with the special martini menu for connoisseurs. "The Holiday Inn has graciously donated their efforts to accommodate Care Night this year for the United Way," said Williams. "Last years event was a great success and we are expecting even more people this year."

The evening will include Live Auction, Secret Bucket Raffles, Silent Auction and 50/50's. All forms of tender are accepted including cash, personal check and credit cards.

For more information or to have your tickets held at the door, call the Crawford County United Way at 989 344-9300. To review the list of donations see the Care Night ad in this weeks Avalanche. The completed list with any late donations will be available at the auction in the catalog.

County clerk to take part in Passports-to-Go Day

The Crawford County Clerk's office will be open on Saturday to allow people planning to travel abroad to apply for their passports.

Sandra Moore, the Crawford County clerk/register of deeds, is joining forces with county and municipal clerks across the state for Passports-to-Go Day.

More than 10 counties across Michigan - from Alpena to Eaton, Crawford to Clinton, as well as Oakland County and municipal clerks will open their doors to constituents to offer a chance to apply for a passport.

The Crawford County Clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 10 for county residents who need their passports for planned trips to other counties.

"We want to make it as easy as we can for our residents, especially in light of strict new passport regulations," Moore said. "We recognize it can be tough for working people to take time out of their busy week, so offering a Saturday morning for applicants seemed like just the ticket."

The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 requires travelers to have passports to counties that didn't require them before. As of Jan. 23, 2007, all air travelers to or from Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean and Bermuda need passports. As early as Jan. 1, 2008, the rules will apply to land and sea travelers as well.

In the fiscal year 2006, the U.S. Department of State issued

a record 12,133,537 U.S. passports, and in just the past two months, the number of people applying for passports is staggering.

To apply, residents must provide:

- a passport application form.
- proof of U.S. citizenship in the form of a previous passport, certified birth certificate or naturalization certificate.
- proof of identity, including a driver's license, government or military ID (Social Security cards are not acceptable).
- two 2-by-2 colored facial photos.

• a \$30 payment to the Crawford County Clerk, and \$67 to the U.S. Passport Agency.

Valid passports are required for children of every age.

Travelers who need additional information about new passport regulations may visit the U.S. Department of State web site at <http://travel.state.gov>.

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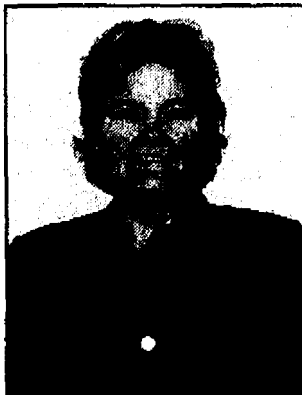
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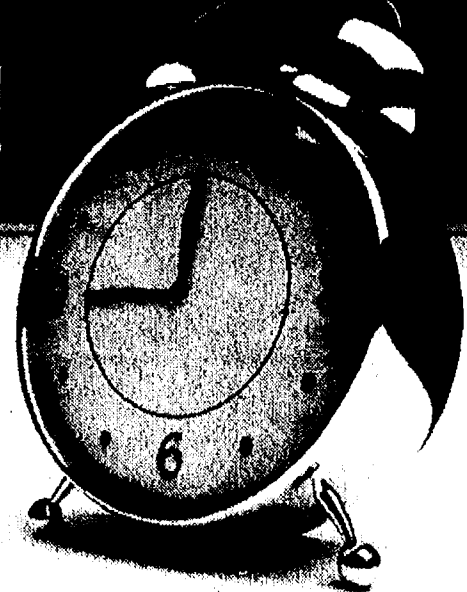
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The Bible Speaks

No Wrath

Our past and present justification through faith in the finished work of our Lord Jesus Christ assures us of future salvation from wrath. "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." (Rom. 5:9).

Our future protection from wrath is based upon our past justification. "Much more then..." We were told in Rom. 5:5 how "...the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." We were told in Rom. 5:6 of the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ dying for our sins: "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly." We studied in Rom. 5:7,8 about the eternal Father loving us and selecting us for redemption: "8But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Our future protection from wrath is based upon our present justification, "...being now justified by his blood." Our justification is a present possession through Christ's blood. "13But now in Christ Jesus ye who

sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ." (Eph. 2:13). We did nothing for this as Rom. 3:24 says: "4Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." As our propitiation, the wrath of God is satisfied by the shed blood of Jesus Christ in our place. (Rom. 3:25). "1There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." (Rom. 8:1).

Our future protection from wrath is based upon our continuing justification, "...we shall be saved from wrath through him." We saw in Rom. 1:18: "18For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness." But Christ has taken all our wrath upon Himself. Therefore, "...we shall be saved from wrath through him." Jesus promised us in John 3:15,16 we would not perish through faith in Him. "15That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 16For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have ever-

lasting life." Jesus promised we will not be condemned in John 5:24: "24Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

We have security from God's future wrath. We wait for Jesus to come again and take us to heaven to be with Him: "10And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come." (1 Thess 1:10).

Are you delivered from God's future wrath through faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ, or are you storing up wrath as stated in Rom. 2:5: "5But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God." All human beings are either under God's love and trusting Christ or under God's wrath for rejecting Christ. Pastor "B"

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Tottingham's celebrate 69 years



Leon and Hazel Tottingham

Leon (Lee) and Hazel Tottingham, residents of the Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation Community, celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary. Lee gave Hazel a bouquet of red roses to mark the occasion, because they are her favorite.

The couple met when Hazel was 16, and were married in 1938.

Lee was shipped off to Japan to serve in the Army during World War II, shortly after they were married.

They have two daughters, Carolyn and Marlene; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Family and friends flooded the Tottinghams with well wishes for many more happy anniversaries.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, March 9 - Lunch - salmon patty with cream sauce, cauliflower, orange carrot almandine, and mixed fruit. No Dinner. 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, March 10 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for appt. and bring your own towel.

Monday, March 12 - Lunch - oven fried chicken, hot German potato salad, green beans, and mixed fruit. Dinner - pork chops, glazed sweet potatoes, asparagus, and pears. 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Cardio.

Tuesday, March 13 - Lunch - Shepherd's pie, zucchini, cauliflower, and grapes. Dinner - salmon patties with cream sauce, peas and carrots, green beans and peaches. 8:30 a.m. casino trip, 10 a.m. quilting, 10

a.m. - 4:30 p.m. tax aide clinic, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 5:30 p.m. Bunco, 6:30 p.m. housing commission board meeting.

Wednesday, March 14 - Lunch - BBQ beef on bun, coleslaw, corn, and mandarin oranges. Birthday Dinner - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, smothered squash, and cake and ice cream. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. Kings and Queens, 5 p.m. Birthday Dinner, 5:30 p.m. white elephant auction.

Thursday, March 15 - Lunch - beef vegetable stew with biscuit, brussels sprouts, and banana. Dinner - lemon pepper chicken, winter blend vegetables, beets, and tropical fruit salad. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 1 p.m. dollhouse salon makeovers, and Pinochle, 5 p.m. speaker - Kay Cosgray-Grayling history, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

LIBRARY NEWS

Memorial donations for January are:

Donated by the Cornell Agency Inc. *The Man Who Named the Clouds*, for Goldie Donaldson; *Our 50 States* for Louise Parkhurst; and *Under the Ground* for David McClain.

For Dorothy R. Slater from Bill Slater, *Who is the Greatest? Elvis or the Beatles?*

For Hannah (Nancy) Hall from William and Barbara Greene, *Finishing Techniques for Hand Knitters*.

For Mary Sandow from Paul and Judi Mesack, *Our National Anthem*.

For Ann DuBois from Richard and Nancy Summitt: *Home to Big Stone Gap* (large print), *Dance of the Gods* (large print), *Organized Family Historian*, *Castles and Palaces of Europe*, *Best American Short Stories*, and *Best Loved Favorite Brand Name Recipes*.

Grayling Promotional

Association gave for Don Bowers, *Great Lakes Lighthouse Tales*, *Michigan Starwatch* and *The Wright Brothers*.

For David McClain from Paul and Donna Thomson, *Second Acts: Lives and Legends after the White House*.

Memorial donations for February 2007 are:

For Harry (Art) Weideman from Paul and Donna Thomson, *American Courage*.

For George S. Close from Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neill, *Dispatches From the Edge and Dog Heroes of Sept. 11th*.

For William (Bill) Cox from Paul and Donna Thomson, *Eagles*; from Paul Lerg, *Japan, the Soul of a Nation*; from Gary and June Ginther, *Rustic Garden Furniture*.

For "Tank" the noble stallion from Cheryl Ruley, *Clydesdales*.

Memorials for the Frederic High School Alumni Association: *Barns for Ernest Barber*; *Fabulous Painted Furniture* for Eleanor San Cartier; *How To Make Your Own Picture Frames* for Doris Kellogg; *DiMaggio: Setting the Record Straight* for John Bigham; *Cowboys & Longhorns* for Donald Pete Weaver; *Best of Sports Illustrated* for George Sparks; *World Series: An Illustrated Encyclopedia* for Nelson Vollmer; *Extraordinary Women of the American West* for Margaret R. Cody; and *You Asked? Over 300 Great Questions and Astounding Answers* for Eugene Gabriel.

OBITUARIES

Roy B. Gillman, Sr.

March 21, 1919- Feb. 26, 2007
Roy B. Gillman, Sr., age 87, of Roscommon, passed away February 26, 2007.

A funeral service was held on March 2, at St. Michael Catholic Church, Roscommon. Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

Card of Thanks

The family of Bill Cox would like to thank all of the people who supported us during his recent illness.

Special thanks to the doctors and nurses in the E.R. and all of the staff on 2-North at Mercy Hospital. Many thanks for the homemade soup, baked goods, flowers, prayers, phone calls, cards, memorial contributions and hugs. Thank you, American Legion Post Auxiliary for the delicious luncheon, the U.S. Army, American Legion Post #106 Color Guard, and the Camp Grayling Firing Squad, who conducted the military service.

Also, to all who were with us that day, our loss was lightened by your presence. Thanks also to the Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Nancy Cox and family
Billy, Joel, Jamie,
David and Elissa

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of March 8 - 14 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during March 8 - 14.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) March 9 - 11.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: (989) 348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 76 complaints the week of Feb. 26 - March 4:

One intercept, one vehicle fire, two delinquent minors, one snowmobile incident, two false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, two larcenies, one larceny from mail, one fraudulent activities, one sex offenses/indecent exposure, nine public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, two miscellaneous criminal offenses, 14 traffic accidents, one accident-all other, four civil matters/family disputes, seven suspicious situations, one lost and found property, 20 general non-criminal complaints and one driving violations/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. • Suite 103 • Grayling
(989) 732-7001

Sunday Service: 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday: 7 pm
Sunday School: 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Camp
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974
Website: www.umc-un.org
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Traditional Service: 8:30 & 11:15 am
Contemporary Service: 10:00 am
Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade): 11 am
Adult Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School: 11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor: David J. Peterson
348-6305
Services held Saturday at
Camp Ahsahe off M-72 East
(let building on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service: 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School: 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 7 pm

Lovell Community Chapel
(Bible Institute)
Pastor: Larry Hamilton
Associate Pastor: Tom Farnsworth
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovell
989-348-2701

Sunday School (youth & adult): 10 am
Morning Worship: 10 am
Sunday School: 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study: 7-8 pm

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Early Service: 8:30 am
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Morning Service: 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday): 7 pm

Evangelical United
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2474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday School: 11 am
Adult and Youth Sunday School: 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor: Ernie Wagner 348-1411
Heritage Baptist Grayling
1841 Heritage Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School: 9:45 am
Morning Worship: 11 am
Evening Worship: 7 pm
Wednesday: 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor: Gary Weidman
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage 348-7466

Sunday School: 9:30 am
Morning Worship: 10:30 am
Evening Service: 7 pm
Family Night Adult-Youth-Children (Wed): 7 pm

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Wed. Prayer & Bible Study: 7 pm

Grayling Bible Fellowship Church of God
Pastor: Donald Clark
(989) 627-3151

Sunday: 10:30 am

St. John Lutheran

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President: David Page
600 North Elm Street, Grayling

Sacrament: 10 am
Sunday School: 11 am
Primary: 11 am
Preschool: 12 noon
Relief Society: 12 noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Petric 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling

Sunday School: 10 am
Sunday Service: Children's Church and Youth Service: 11 am
Sunday Evening Service: 7 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting: 7 pm
Wednesday Service: 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting: 7 pm
(van transportation available)

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-7224

Sunday School: 9:15 am
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am

Community of Christ
Pastor: Ann Dwyer
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Chase Rd. • 348-9751

Church School: 9:45 am
Preschool: 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer: 7 pm

Mary's Roman Catholic Community
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Parish Office: 707 Spruce • 348-7657

Saturday Evening Mass: 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 10:00 am

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Members of the local Cub Scout Pack 3993 made the transition from Webelos II to Boy Scouts during a ceremony held last month. Five of the 10 boys started out as Tigers in the first grade and graduated into Boy Scouts as fifth graders. Eight of the youngsters received the highest honor in Cub Scouts, the "Order of the Arrow." Pictured above from the left are: Cody Baynham, Nathan Chad, Matthew Shelp, Anthony Morse, Tyler Summers, Grady Smith, Adam Thiel and Mitchell Thompson. Not pictured are Davy Ray and Edward Everson.

Avita Artesian Water brings home silver medal

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The waters were rated for their appearance, aroma, taste, mouth feel and aftertaste.

The water bottled by Avita Artesian Water tied for the silver medal with water bottled by Ramona Springs from Wahsago, Ontario.

"Last December, the U.S. Census Bureau announced that in 2006, Americans bought more bottled water than beer for the first time," said von Wiesenberger, who has studied the rise of the bottled water industry. "Three years earlier, bottled water became second only to carbonated soft drinks as the world's most consumed beverage."

Avita Artesian Water earned a bronze medal in the best-bottled water category at the Berkeley Springs International Water Tasting Festival in 2003.

"Good water rises to the top," said Klein Rone, the producer of the event. "Our tasting process is vindicated when the same waters are rated by a completely different panel of judges and still win."

Terry Maurer, the president of

Avita Artesian Water, said the company entered into a deal to produce bottled water for John Deere four years ago. The water is sold and used for sales promotions in the 2,500 John Deere dealerships located across the country. Avita Artesian Water will soon begin producing bottled water for John Deere dealerships in Canada.

"John Deere has really gotten behind Avita Water, and we look for that business to continue to grow," Maurer said.

John Deere is the largest customer for Avita Water, which also produces water under private labels for dozens of other customers.

"The bottled water industry is a tough, competitive business, so we have to go for these niche markets because we can't compete with the big guys," Maurer said.

In 1929, the Avita Springs were discovered by Dr. Bernard Godfrey, a physician for Mercy Hospital Grayling, and Bernard Maurer, Terry Maurer's father, on their 200 acre private estate surrounded by thousands of acres of the northern Michigan

AuSable State Forest.

In 1948, Godfrey and Maurer installed two wells near the springs for crop irrigation purposes, and Avita Artesian water unexpectedly began flowing to the surface under its own pressure. Since that time, 50-60 million gallons per year flow continuously from the twin artesian springs. Avita Artesian Water is bottled 1,800 feet from its source.

In 1987, Terry Maurer, his wife, MaryAnn, and her brother, Dale Horning, and his wife, Gaelene, began bottling the premium artesian water. The first sales were made in Ann Arbor. In 1996, Avita Artesian Water was introduced commercially to the U.S. and Canada. Avita Artesian Water is now sold in all 50 states by Eden Foods under their label Eden Springs. Avita Water is certified by the National Sanitation Foundation to meet all U.S. Food and Drug Administration requirements, and is certified kosher by the Circle K Rabbinical Association.

Avita Artesian Water is distributed locally by Cadillac

Coffee, and in northern Michigan by the Mt. Pleasant-based Fabiano Bros.

A half dozen employees work at the Avita Artesian plant, bottling enough water to fill a semi-tractor trailer every two days.

The plant is nestled in rural Beaver Creek Township, adjacent to the AuSable State Forest, which makes it a challenge for employees, suppliers and shipping trucks to come to the facility during the winter months.

"You've got to have it here, because that is where the water is," said Neil Rouse, the plant manager for Avita Artesian Water.

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State now issuing onsite licensure for several occupations

Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth Director Robert W. Swanson announced that the state is now issuing onsite licenses for cosmetologists, manicurists, estheticians, electrologists, natural hair culturists and barbers and is adding three other Bureau of Commercial Services occupations in the near future.

Real estate brokers, salespersons, and real estate appraisers occupations are expected to begin the onsite licensing process beginning in 2007. Research is being conducted on including the following occupations: residential builders, salesperson (for residential builder), 14 maintenance and alternation trade contractor license types, collection agency manager, hearing aid dealer or salesperson, personnel agent, polygraph examiner, and security alarm system contractor.

"Onsite licensing has been so well-received by the state's cosmetologists and barbers that the program is being expanded to include several other occupations," Swanson said. "The advantage of onsite licensing is that applicants who pass their state examinations can walk out the door with a license and start their new careers the very next day. We've eliminated the red tape of requiring licensees to wait for a letter from the state to arrive by mail to start a new job and begin earning a paycheck."

The first candidate in the state of Michigan to receive an onsite

license was Nikita Pettit, of Petoskey, who graduated from the Up North School of Cosmetology II and was able to start her new job immediately after receiving her license. Pettit used the MyLicense website (www.Michigan.gov/mylicense) to apply for her license prior to taking her licensing examinations. She was required to take and pass her Practical examination before being eligible to take her Theory examination. After successfully completing her Theory exam, she received her state license before ever leaving the examination site thus making her employable the minute she left that day.

DLEG's Bureau of Commercial Services Testing and Licensing staff partnered with PSI (Psychological Services, Inc.) to develop and

administer licensing examinations. Onsite Licensure became a possibility with the advent of the MyLicense program. MyLicense allows licensure candidates to complete the license application process online, prior to taking the licensing examinations. The use of MyLicense and the issuance of onsite licenses are estimated to serve 19,156 new cosmetologist, barber, real estate, and real estate appraiser licensees per year. Approximately 6,357 additional licensees will be affected as other professions are added in 2007.

The new onsite license contains the individual's color photo, name, address, signature, license number, and expiration date. It is designed to be similar to a driver's license, as it is pocket-sized and durable.

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GPA dinner show features Song of the Lakes

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will be presenting a dinner show with Song of the Lakes, at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Thursday, March 15.

Song of the Lakes will perform contemporary and traditional maritime folk music with a bit of a twist. Song of the Lakes, a quartet whose humor, engaging style and inspiring instrumentation and vocals, keep their audiences asking for more.

A limited amount of tickets for this dinner show are still available, for \$30, at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, while supplies last. Dinner choice of white fish or prime rib includes potato, vegetable, salad with roll, dessert and non-alcoholic beverage. A cash bar will be available.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6:30 p.m., in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn. The performance will follow dessert.

For more information on this performance or a schedule for the upcoming series call the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at 989-348-2921.

This event is presented by the Grayling Promotional Association in partnership with area businesses and corporations, and a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.



Song of the Lakes will be performing at the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series dinner show, at the Grayling Holiday Inn, on Thursday, March 15.

Diabetes self-management series begins

A diagnosis of diabetes does not have to mean a poor quality of life.

"Self-management skills include proper food choices, testing blood glucose, taking medications if needed, and regular exercise to control diabetes. Better control over the disease gives you the power to live a high quality of life with a reduced risk of complications," said Eileen Mikus, Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Educator at Otsego Memorial Hospital.

The American Diabetes Association estimates that more than 21 million Americans have diabetes, with over 5 million of

those cases being undiagnosed. While the prevalence of diabetes is growing, it remains a fact that the disease can be delayed or prevented with healthy lifestyle choices. Once a diagnosis of diabetes is made, healthy dietary and activity habits can have a dramatic and positive impact on management of the disease.

This awareness and the skills needed to make these positive life changes are the focus of Otsego Memorial Hospital's Diabetes Self-Management Education Classes.

The series of four classes is offered to persons with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes, and is designed

to build knowledge and facilitate development of diabetes self-management skills. Specific goals are chosen to achieve near normal blood glucose levels. Topics include Essential Basics of Diabetes, Nutrition Know How, Getting Physical with Activity and Foot Care, Monitoring Blood Glucose and Medications, Moods, and Motivation.

Pre-registration and physician referral for the classes is required. A new series begins at 5 p.m., Tuesday, March 20. Class size is limited and physician referral is required. Contact Mikus at (989) 731-2194 to register for the class.

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Mercy Hospice is sponsoring the Hospice Foundation of America's (HFA) 14th Annual National Bereavement Teleconference, "Living With Grief®: Before and After the Death".

The teleconference will be moderated by Frank Sesno, Professor of Media and Public Affairs at The George Washington University and Special Correspondent with CNN.

This program will be broadcast on Thursday, March 22, from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. in the Riverside Room at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

HFA's 2007 teleconference will explore the most current theoretical perspectives on loss and grief as experienced by persons throughout a life-limiting illness and by survivors after the death.

The panel will focus on areas where understandings of grief have been challenged.

This program will be useful to a range of professionals who provide bereavement counseling or work with the bereaved.

This teleconference is ideal for psychologists, counselors, clergy, social workers, nurses and other health care workers, funeral directors, educators, teachers and school-based personnel. The information will also be helpful to individuals who offer education on loss, grief, dying or death.

Health care professionals, educators, clergy and others concerned with the effects of this issue should contact Mary Beth Brady at Mercy Hospice, 1-800-424-1457 for details or to make reservations. Space is limited, call early.

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National Merit Scholarship Competition



Robert Ramaswamy

Grayling High School Senior Robert Ramaswamy has achieved the status of Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

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In April following the fall test administration, high-scoring participants from every state are invited to name two colleges or universities to which they would like to be referred by NMSC.

In September, these high scorers are notified through their schools that they have qualified as either a Commended Student or Semifinalist. Semifinalists must fulfill several require-

ments. These include completing an application, having a consistently very high academic record, writing an essay, being endorsed and recommended by a school official, and taking the SAT® and earning a score that confirms the PSAT/NMSQT performance.

In February, some 15,000 Semifinalists (the top 1% of the test-takers) are notified by mail at their home addresses that they have advanced to Finalist standing. High school principals are notified and provided with a certificate to present to each Finalist. Robert's sister Rebecca, Class of 2005, also earned this prestigious honor.

United States Achievement Academy

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Gregory Toprak, of Grayling, has been recognized for academic achievement as an United States National Honor Student Award winner. Toprak, who attends Grayling High School, will appear in the United States Achievement Academy's Official Yearbook which is published nationally.

Gregory is the son of Sinan and Anne Toprak of Grayling. He is the grandson of Lorraine and Duane Dorr of Page, Neb., and the late Zekeriya and Mediha Toprak of Ankara, Turkey.

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April 10 meeting 7:00 p.m. Elections will be held. Please be here.

Dues for 2006 are now past due, and 2007 dues are to be paid by July 1st.

Birthday Greetings to A.R. Ingalls Jr., Larry DuVall, and Lucio Saraiuia

Our prayers go out to the families of Art Weideman and William Cox.

BUSINESS NEWS

Tom Barber

Tom Barber, Barber Construction, Inc. of Roscommon has been certified as a Certified Aging-In-Place (CAPS) Specialist Professional.

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The CAPS designation is the

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The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Club selected Huntington Bank as February's Spotlight-a-Member. Pictured Therese Kaiser, manager, with employees Jamie, Val, Brenda, and not pictured, Joanna. Huntington Bank provides a full range of retail and commercial financial services including checking, loans, savings, insurance and investments, as well as fresh baked cookies in their lobby.

BIRTHS

Angie and Lee Barnett of Grayling, announce the birth of twins, born at Mercy Hospital on February 9, 2007. Their son, Gibsen Anthony, was born at 5:22 p.m., weighing 5 lbs., 15

ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length. Their daughter, Brooklyn Mae, was born at 5:23 p.m., weighing 4 lbs., 5 ozs., and measuring 17 inches in length.

Jessica and Jeffrey Mallison of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Shelby Aerin, born at Mercy Hospital on February 8, 2007, at 4:29 p.m.,

weighing 6 lbs., 8 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length.

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87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for February 2007 Hon. Janet M. Allen

Jason Alan Fik, age 29 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2007 for controlled substance possession of marijuana; ordered to serve 10 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$940 in fines and \$200 in restitution or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

Lisa Joy Bowie, age 42 of Hazel Park - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2007 for attempt-police-assault/resist/obstruct; ordered to serve 10 days in jail with credit for 83 days served; ordered to pay \$1,290 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Michael Paul Calvin, age 43 of Birmingham - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for failure to report accident; ordered to pay \$255 in fines or serve 25 days in jail.

Michele Louise Bergan, age 45 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 6, 2007 for combined OUIL and OUID; ordered to pay \$1,120 in fines or serve 93 days in jail.

Robert Daniel Kostopolus, age 47 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for stalking - ordered to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,380 in fines or serve 138 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

Christopher Noel True, age 19 of Lansing - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for domestic violence; ordered to pay \$960 in fines; placed on probation for 181 days.

Scott James Chaney, age 37 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for alcohol-selling/furnishing to minor; ordered to pay \$1,760 in fines or serve 60 days in jail.

Samuel Edward Laizure, age 21 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Feb. 13, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$370 in fines or serve 37 days in jail.

Joshua Clay Hicks, age 18 of Farwell - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for controlled substance-use of marijuana and larceny less than \$200; ordered to pay \$855 in fines or serve 85 days in jail.

Edward Nelson-Walker Coots, age 21 of Fenton - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for sex offender-failure to comply with reporting; ordered to pay \$870 in fines or serve 87 days in jail.

Melanie Anne Forbes, age 29 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 13, 2007 for retail fraud second-degree; ordered to serve 20 days in jail with credit for 20 days served; ordered to pay \$910 in fines or serve 91 days in jail; placed on probation for 181 days.

Jeremiah Matthew Anderson-

Bootz, age 17 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for breaking and entering illegal without owners permission; ordered to pay \$370 in fines and \$17,080.96 in restitution or serve 37 days in jail; placed on probation for 89 days.

Daniel Matthew Mahaney, age 22 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and open alcohol in motor vehicle; ordered to pay \$570 in fines or serve 57 days in jail; placed on probation for 181 days.

Sabrina Kaye Schwartz, age 34 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for operate while visibly impaired and license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$605 in fines or serve 60 days in jail.

Timothy John Jones, age 27 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$310 in fines or serve 31 days in jail.

James Jefferson Monroe, age 37 of Lewiston - Sentenced on Feb. 6, 2007 for larceny less than \$200; ordered to pay \$310 or serve 31 days in jail.

Emilee Danielle Monroe, age 19 of Lewiston - Sentenced on Feb. 6, 2007 for larceny less than \$200; ordered to pay \$310 or serve 31 days in jail.

Trevor Morris Feazel, age 37 of Whitmore Lake - Sentenced on Feb. 13, 2007 for violation of Grayling City Ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$205 or serve 20 days in jail.

Joshua Paul Gildner, age 28 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 27, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate and operating without security; ordered to pay \$750 in fines or serve 75 days in jail.

Jeffrey Thomas Dawkins, age 45 of Royal Oak - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2007 for illegal cut state trees; ordered to pay \$240 in fines and \$455 in restitution.

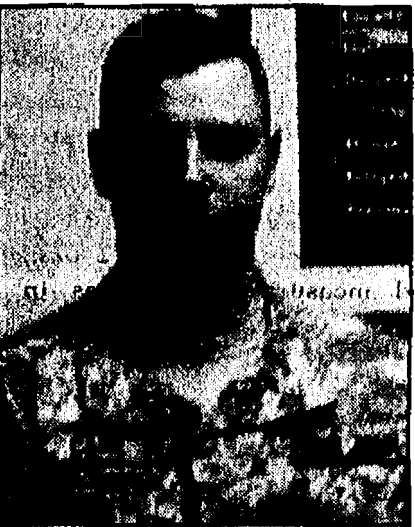
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Brian David Robinson, age 29 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 21, 2007 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$220 in fines or serve 22 days in jail.

Neil Gene Johnson, age 21 of Newberry - Sentenced on Feb. 21, 2007 for snowmobile-operating while license suspended/revoked/denied and operate snowmobile on railroad right of way; ordered to pay \$340 in fines or serve 34 days in jail.

Douglas Gene Webb II, age 20 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 7, 2007 for person under 21-purchase/consume/possess liquor; ordered to pay \$305 in fines; placed on probation for 89 days.

MILITARY NEWS



SFC Scott R. Carr

Sergeant First Class Scott R. Carr of Waters, was awarded the Ohio Commendation Medal. Sergeant First Class Carr serves at Camp Grayling as the Readiness Non-Commissioned

Officer of the Headquarters Company, Joint Maneuver Training Center. He was presented this award by representatives of the Ohio Army National Guard during a brief ceremony at Camp Grayling. Captain Eric Kaiser and Master Sergeant Sheldon Chambliss of Ohio's 237th Personnel Services Battalion presented him with the Award Certificate and pinned him with the medal. The certificate reads:

State of Ohio, this is to certify that the governor of Ohio has awarded the Ohio Commendation Medal to Sergeant First Class Scott R. Carr, Michigan Army National Guard, for exceptional meritori-

ous service while serving as the Camp Grayling Annual Training Liaison to the 237th Personnel Service Battalion and the Ohio Army National Guard during annual training 2005 and 2006. Your outstanding contribution was vital to the successful accomplishment of the 237th PSB's mission. Your actions reflect great credit upon yourself, your unit and the Michigan Army National Guard. Signed Brigadier General Jack E. Lee, Commander 73rd Troop Command, Ohio Army National Guard.

Sergeant First Class is a twice over Combat veteran of the first Gulf War, Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He is a graduate of Gaylord High School and resides in Waters with his wife, Alma and son, Gabe.

46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

Sentencings for February 2007 Hon. Janet M. Allen

Bobby Lee Veness, age 29 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Dec. 11, 2006 to controlled substance delivery less than 50 grams; sentenced on Feb. 5, 2007 to serve five months in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$325 in restitution, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$300 circuit court costs; placed on probation for 18 months.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Matthew Wallace, age 28 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Jan. 11, 2007 to robbery armed and habitual offender second-conviction; sentenced on Feb. 8, 2007 to serve five years and 10 months to 15 years in prison with credit for 183 days served in jail; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee.

Jennifer Anne Henze, age 25 of Detroit - Plead guilty on Jan. 11, 2007 to controlled substance possess less than 25 grams; sentenced on Feb. 8, 2007 to serve six months in jail with credit for

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cuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 18 months.

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South Branch Fire Dept. receives federal grant

The South Branch Township Fire Department will receive a federal grant that will help outfit firefighters.

The department was awarded a \$53,254 grant through the Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters program.

Ernie Windolph, the fire chief for the South Branch Township Fire Department, said the grant will pay to replace aged turnout gear including protective coats, pants, boots and helmets worn by firefighters. Windolph said the National Fire Protection Association mandates that fire department's rotate the gear to ensure firefighter safety.

The department will also

replace the light-weight protective jump suits that firefighters wear when they are battling wild-fires with the Department of Natural Resources fire fighting crews.

"The suits that we have are so old and patched, and we are in dear need of replacing those," Windolph said.

Finally, the department hopes to purchase a thermal imaging unit, a device used to detect flames and hot spots behind doorways, in walls or pieces of machinery.

"That is greatly going to enhance the safety of our firefighters if they have to go into a burning structure," Windolph said.

The federal grant requires a \$2,300 match from the township, Windolph said.

U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) and Carl Levin (D-MI), last week, announced that 15 Michigan fire department will receive over \$1 million to pay for fire operations and fire safety programs, including training, equipment, wellness and fitness and modifications to facilities. The funds were awarded through the fiscal year 2006 Assistance to Firefighter Grant program.

"Keeping our communities safe begins with providing our first responders the resources they need," Stabenow said. "This funding will enable these fire departments to continue their

great work protecting Michigan families."

"Firefighters and emergency medical personnel play a vital role in protecting the citizens of their community," Levin added. "These grants will help each fire department with the necessary training and equipment to continue to do their job effectively."

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant program, administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training, in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration, helps rural urban and suburban fire departments throughout the United States prepare for emergencies and acts of terrorism.



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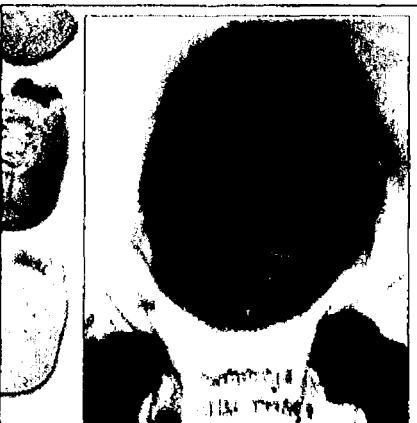
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and girls ski teams both finished 5th in their final regular season ski meet – the Lake Michigan Conference championship meet held at Nub's Nob on Wednesday, Feb. 21. Harbor

Springs won both the boys and girls conference titles.

Grayling's girls team was led by Cassie Pizzi and Erica Moggo in slalom. Pizzi placed 7th and Moggo finished 10th.

"Both Cassie and Erica skied great," Coach Brad Wagner said. "Their results both helped our team placement and their own individual placement in all-conference totals."

In giant slalom (GS), Pizzi placed 19th, Hannah Smith finished 20th, and Moggo took 21st.

Matt Hilbrecht (13th), Jimmy Hilbrecht (14th), and Mike

Olson (15th) led Grayling's boys team in the GS competition.

"In slalom, Mike Olson led

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See "SKI TEAM..."



Heaven Bergman (left) and Janosch Kluge (right) ski for Grayling High School in the slalom competition at Nub's Nob in the Lake Michigan Conference championship meet.

5th graders win 12-team tournament



Grayling's 5th grade boys basketball team won a 12-team tournament held at Grayling High School on Saturday, Feb. 17. The team: (front, L to R) Mitchell Thompson, Matt Burrell; (back, L to R) Tyler Summers, Scott Wakeley, Michael Branch, Tyler Longendyke, Brandon Latusek, Rich Sanford, Justice Junttila, Jake Swander. Not pictured: Coach Jenny Swander and Coach Scott Longendyke.

Hanson Hills hosts a weekend of cross country ski races

■ Michigan Cup Marathon and Hanson Hills Classic held on Feb. 24-25

Hanson Hills Recreation Area and Grayling Recreation Authority hosted cross country

ski races on Feb. 24-25, including the Hanson Hills Classic on Sunday and a Michigan Cup Marathon event on Saturday.

The division winners for the Michigan Cup Marathon race

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Mike Muha skis in the Hanson Hills Classic on Sunday, Feb. 25.

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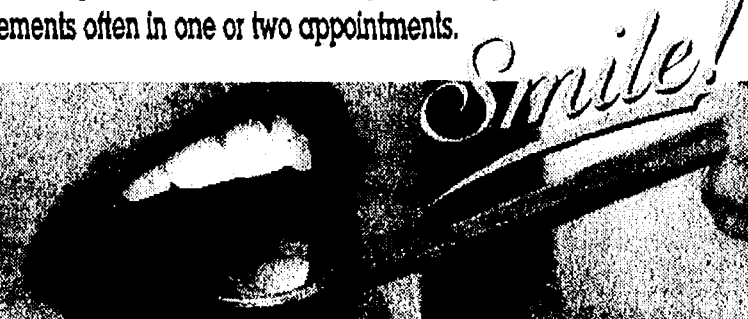
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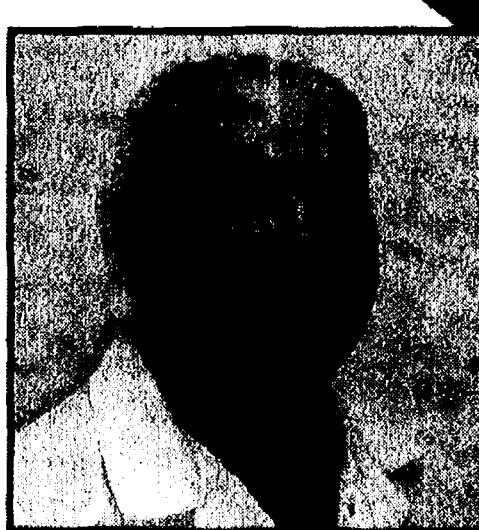
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Cassie Pizzi (left) and Erica Moggo (right) race in the slalom event for Grayling at the recent Lake Michigan Conference championship meet.



Ski team finishes regular season with league championship meet

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the team with an 11th. Janosch Kluge skied two great runs on a tough course to finish in a tie for 12th," Coach Wagner said.

Andrew Hart placed 15th in

slalom, and Peter Alexander finished 27th.

"The boys are a hoot to watch — you never know who's going to be our top skier. They've kept us on our toes all season. It's been a

wild ride at times," Coach Wagner said.

Five Vikings earned all-league honors in the Lake Michigan Conference this year: Pizzi, all-conference 1st team, slalom and

GS; J. Hilbrecht, all-conference 2nd team, slalom; Olson, all-conference 2nd team, slalom; Moggo, all-conference 2nd team, slalom; Andrew Hart, all-conference 2nd team, GS.



Peter Alexander (left) and Mike Olson (right) ski for the Vikings in the giant slalom event at the conference championship meet at Nub's Nob.



JV team ends year with loss at TCSF

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team completed its 2006-07 season with a 59-27 loss vs. the Gladiators of Traverse

City St. Francis last Tuesday at Traverse City.

"TC won the hustle award for this game. They beat us to every loose ball and most rebounds. This is not the way we wanted to end the season," Coach Chris Kucharek said.

Leading scorers for Grayling: Doug Gothro, 7 points; Eric

Ferrigan, 6 points; Alex Gabriel, 5 points; Tyler Steffey, 5 points; Mike Davis, 1 point.

"Doug Gothro played a nice game off the bench. He did a nice job taking the ball to the basket and created some good scoring opportunities for himself and others as well," Coach Kucharek said. "Our bench played well for

us like they did all season and it was good to see kids like John Cochran, Mike Davis, Doug Gothro, Dylan Nye, and Todd Johnson end the season playing the way they did."

The Vikings finished the season at 4-16 with wins against Roscommon, Harbor Springs, Elk Rapids, and Harrison.

BOWLING LEAGUE

National First	
Faustman Insurance	52 - 11
J-Bar	36 - 27
Continental Rental	34 - 29
Scott Pittman Bld.	32 - 31
Upper Lakes	29 - 34
Great Lakes Mort.	29 - 34
Corky's Karaoke	21 - 42
Legion Lanes	19 - 44
High Series: A. Angove, 682; T. Sowinski, 649; S. Pittman, 642.	
High Game: A. Angove, 264; T. Sowinski, 256; S. Pittman, 243.	
Friday Mixed Doubles	
Collen & Starks	32.5 - 11.5
G.L. Hauling	30 - 14
Forget About It	24.5 - 19.5
Poopsy Pin Pounders	22 - 22
American Legion	18 - 26
Moshier Auto	17 - 27
Great Lakes Roofing	16.5 - 27.5
New "Kids"	15.5 - 28.5
High Series Men: W. Johnson, 579; P. Benardo, 561; R. Sartin, 551. High Game Men: W. Johnson, 233; P. Benardo, 214; D. Williamson and R. Sartin, 201. High Series Women: M. Starks, 599; P. Younglove, 569, S. Johnson, 517. High Game	

Women: M. Starks, 226; P. Younglove, 214; S. Johnson, 196.	
Senior Bowling	
Grayling Pharmacy	74 - 22
Flowers By Josie	57 - 39
Gaylord Electric	48.5 - 47.5
Bear's Den Pizza	46.5 - 49.5
Kickin Grass	45.5 - 50.5
Sylvester's	45 - 51
Spike's	38.5 - 57.5
Lone Pine	29.5 - 66.5
High Series Women: M. Ryso, 499; C. Clark, 492; H. Stairs, 471. High Game Women: C. Clark, 207; H. Stairs, 180; M. Ryso, 177. High Series Men: O. Brantley, 577; B. Hollis, 556; L. Crampton, 547. High Game Men: B. Hollis, 236; O. Brantley, 226; B. Holton, 205.	
Pioneer League	
McDonald's	22 - 2
Grayling Rest	14 - 10
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T. C. Lawncare	13 - 11
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High Series: A. Nygard, 545; C. LaMotte, 527; L. Rutter, 521. High Game: S. Johnson, 222; J. Coors, 213; T. Hellebuyck, 201.	
American Men's League	
McLeans ACE	12 - 2
GADCO	10 - 4
Scheer Motors	7 - 7
Derwich Ind	7 - 7
Moore's Auto	7 - 7
Fenton's Auto Serv.	7 - 7
West Side Diner	4 - 10
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High Series: L. Davis, 676; L. Davis, 671; L. Ostrowski, 629. High Game: M. Smith, 234; L. Davis, 229. L. Davis and J. Rabideau, 224.	
Northwood League	
Bud Lite Babes	22.5 - 13.5
Riverland Rowdies	22 - 14
Choppers Spare	20 - 16
Preston Heating	19 - 17
Pro Paint Princesses	18.5 - 17.5
High Series: T. Hellebuyck, 551; D. Steffes 442; B. MacKinnon, 434. High Game: T. Hellebuyck, 205; P. Collen, 182; C. Osborne, 175.	

Hanson Hills hosts a weekend of cross country ski races

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included:

Men's 30K - Overall: Steve Kuhl 1:07:14; 20-29 Age Group: Ryan Halstead 1:11:58; 30-39: Andrew Triebold 1:07:15; 40-49: Jim Harwood 1:10:43; 50-59: Clifford Onthank 1:10:42; 60-69: Tom Anderson 1:19:49; 70-79: William Matson 1:54:19.

Women's 15K - Overall: Amy Powell 0:41:56; 20-29: Emily Flynn 0:45:46; 30-39: Amy Todd 0:49:47; 40-49: Terri Pomfret 0:45:05; Gussie Peterson 0:43:26; Connie Mandyk 0:55:21.

Juniors 7.5K - 12-under boys: Garrett Ruffner 1:35:56; 12-under girls: Kristina Kamm 0:50:53; 13-15 boys: Dan Temkin 0:31:11; 16-19 boys: Ben Harris 0:28:26.

The Michigan Cup Marathon races featured more than 85 skiers.

The final standings for the 2007 Hanson Hills Classic included (division, bib #, competitor, finish time):

Overall Male:

101 Milan Baic 0:37:54

Overall Female:

65 Emily Flynn 0:47:26

20-29 Male:

67 Ryan Halstead 0:42:03

66 Aaron Tarnow 0:45:03

30-39 Male:

84 Hugh Pritchard 0:38:08

81 Todd Vigland 0:40:23

83 Robert Smith 0:46:20

40-49 Male:

115 Denny Paull 0:38:10

111 Mike Muha 0:41:41

103 Jim Harwood 0:42:15

113 Micheal Seaman 0:42:29

110 Doug Heady 0:42:56

112 Yvon Dufour 0:43:09

102 Glen Goodman 0:45:18

116 Jamie Green 0:46:37

82 Mark Freed 0:49:09

104 Bob Eifler 0:50:56

114 Tim Felkamp 0:51:14

108 Mark Madorski 0:52:20

109 Ken Roth 0:52:36

106 Dale Ernst 0:53:45

40-49 Female:

105 Kathy Marietti 1:02:45

107 Gwenn Stevenson

1:28:39

50-59 Male:

237 Curt Peterson 0:41:10

240 Chris Weingartz 0:41:50

243 Bill Brundage 0:42:06

236 Don Camp 0:43:32

251 Ken Dawson 0:44:18

242 Cris Jones 0:47:21

235 Robin Luce 0:47:50

247 Randy Kessler 0:49:10

250 Dick Fultz 0:52:03

241 Stuart Picard 0:53:22

246 Jeff Moore 0:54:28

245 George Gambert 0:57:57

253 Spencer Ruffner 0:58:36



Denny Paull (left) and Tim Felkamp (right) compete in the Hanson Hills Classic cross country ski race on Sunday, Feb. 25.

248 Greg Worrel 0:58:58

244 Bill Ahrenberg 0:59:34

50-59 Female:

239 Lorraine Lund 0:57:08

238 Gussie Peterson 0:57:34

252 Karen Dawson 0:57:50

249 Linda Allen 1:17:34

60-69 Male:

262 Tom Anderson 0:47:17

261 Michael Keenan 0:49:11

270 Bill Haefner 0:50:59

265 Jim Meyer 0:59:32

264 John Johnson 1:01:56

267 Greg Merwin 1:03:48

269 Richard Wells 1:15:04

268 Leonard Block 1:25:29

60-69 Female:

266 Carole Merwin 1:26:17

263 Beth Caldwell 1:27:30

271 Jean Murray 1:34:23

70-79 Male:

282 John Caldwell 1:10:44

281 Marvin Stevenson

1:25:40

Complete results of the Michigan Cup Marathon races are available online at the Hanson Hills/GRA internet site: www.hansonhills.org.



Don Camp (left) and Mark Madorski (right) ski in the 2007 Hanson Hills Classic.



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Local girl wins state wrestling title

Olivia Peters of Grayling recently won the second of back to back state championships in the United States Girls Wrestling Association (USGWA), posting a 3-0 record at the state wrestling meet at Clio High School on Sunday, Feb. 25, in the 123.5-pound weight class.

"Olivia wrestled as close to perfect as you can. She pinned all three opponents and did not allow a point to be scored on her. After pinning her first two opponents she then had to wrestle in the championship match against a young lady who was a two-

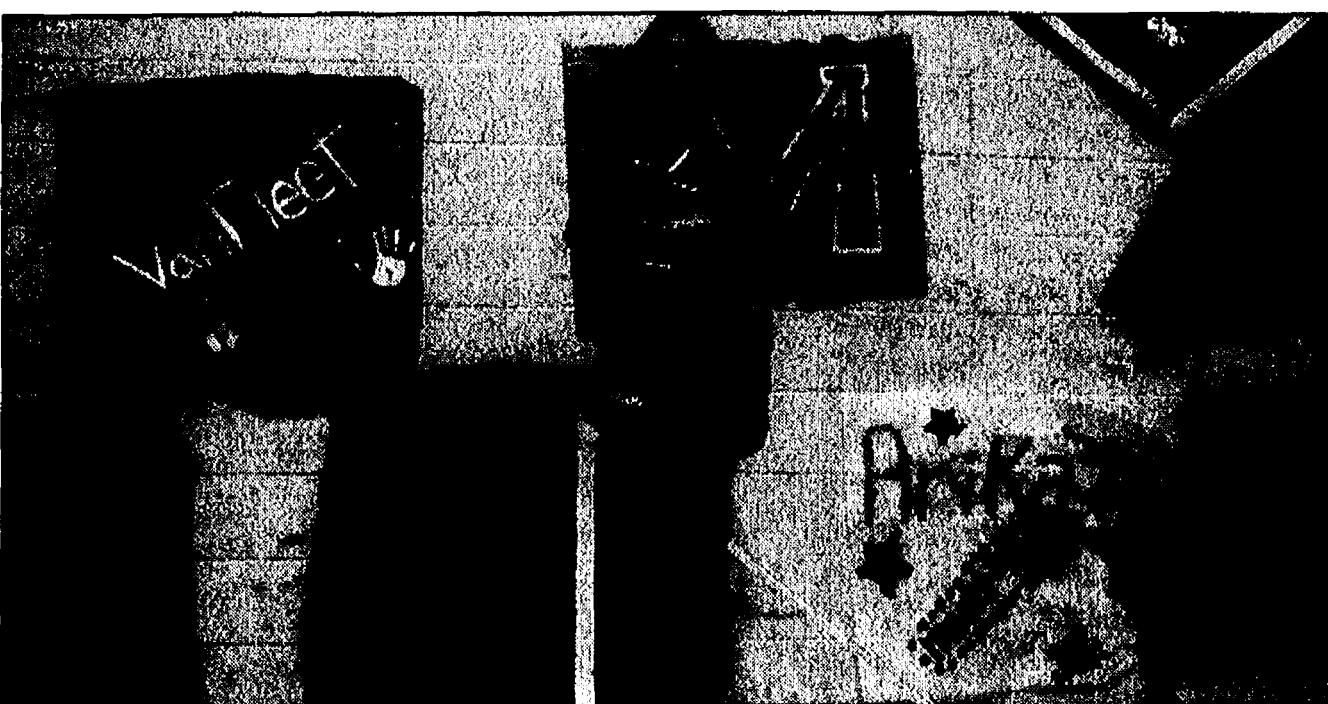
time defending national champion. Olivia controlled the match and finished it in the second period with a pin. This was quite an accomplishment as this girl was a very good wrestler and was one of the best wrestlers at this event," said youth wrestling coach Larry Duvall.

"Olivia seems to be poised to make a run at the national title. This has been her goal all year and she has put a lot of hard work into it. She has not only practiced with the middle school team but has worked with the high school team also. Her family has been

very supportive. This is a big commitment for her parents, Kelly and Holly. Her brother Kyle has also been there for Olivia," Duvall said.

Before Peters goes to nationals she will compete in the USGWA Midwest Championships, which will be held on Sunday, March 11, at Standish Sterling High School.

Nationals will be held on Saturday, March 31, at Livonia High School. This event is an all-weekend tournament. It starts Friday night and goes through Sunday.



Olivia Peters

GMS WRESTLING

The Grayling Middle School wrestling team competed at Benzie Central on Saturday, March 3. Of the 15 wrestlers that participated, 13 won medals for Grayling:

Medal winners for GMS: Olivia Peters, 1st; Zach Wolcott, 1st; Derrik Babbitt, 1st; Zach Randall, 1st; Ryan Randall, 2nd; Tyler Brigham, 2nd; Cody Myers, 2nd; Tyler Cannoy, 3rd;

Tyler Sharp, 3rd; Dan Duvall, 3rd; Jacob Ervin, 3rd; Joe George, 3rd; Cody Nichols, 4th.

The team opened its 2007 season with five wins and no losses: Grayling 63, TC East 54

Grayling 39, Petoskey 22

Grayling 27, Alpena 9

Grayling 60, Cheboygan 28

Grayling 44, TC East 28

At the Gaylord Tournament, 11 of Grayling's 16 wrestlers

won medals: Brigham, 1st; Duvall, 1st; Babbitt, 1st; Nichols, 2nd; Ashton Linkhart, 2nd; Ervin, 2nd; Z. Randall, 2nd; Wolcott, 2nd; Avery Daniel, 2nd; Myers, 2nd; Dan Doty, 2nd.

Other wrestlers with wins for Grayling so far this season: Sam Brantley, Evan Korneli, Jacob Chipman, Dan Doty, Kevin Halstead, Joe George, and Ryan Teeple.

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KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

Men's Team

The host Kirtland Community College men's basketball team had four players score in double figures, but that wasn't enough in a 104-85 loss to Alpena Community College on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

The visiting Lumberjacks (15-12 overall, 11-8 conference) built a 20-point lead at halftime, 52-32, and then held on for the win over their Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rival, as Kirtland battled back to cut Alpena's advantage to 11 points late in the second half. The loss in their final regular season home game dropped the host Firebirds to 13-14 overall.

Freshman forward Jerry Follot (Northwestern, MD) posted an outstanding effort against Alpena, leading Kirtland in scoring (21 points) and rebounding (9 boards), as well as tallying 2 assists and 2 blocked shots. Sophomore guard Matt Tompkins (Fairview) had a solid all-round game with 20 points, 6 rebounds, 6 steals, 5 assists and 3 blocks.

Freshman guard Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) added another double-digit scoring effort for the Firebirds with 19 points, a team-best 9 assists, 5 rebounds and 3 steals, while sophomore forward-center Josh Burmester (Roscommon) chipped in 13 points and 5 boards in Saturday's loss. Other contributors for Kirtland included freshman forward Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy) with 8 points, 4 rebounds and 2 assists, and freshman guard Mark Schafer (St. Ignace) with 4 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals.

Sophomore center Aaron Hincka (Posen) hit for a game-high 23 points to lead the Lumberjacks, with sophomore guard Kevin McLoughlin (Shepherd) and freshman guard-forward Austin Rowe (Swartz Creek) scoring 21 and 20 points, respectively, in the road win.

The visiting Firebirds played conference rival St. Clair County Community College nearly basket-for-basket in the second half on Wednesday, Feb. 14. But Kirtland needed more than that, after falling behind by more than 20 points in the first half in a 101-78 loss to the host Skippers in Port Huron.

St. Clair outscored Kirtland by just a point, 44-43, in the second half. But the Skippers had pretty much decided the fate of the game before heading into the locker rooms at halftime, building a 22-point advantage, 57-35, at intermission.

"We just didn't play real well," Kirtland head coach Glen Donahue said of his team's first-half performance. "I don't know how many turnovers we had, but we had enough."

Despite taking the loss, several Firebirds posted solid all-round efforts. Christian tallied a team-high 19 points, 8 rebounds, 6 assists and 3 steals against the Skippers, while

Tompkins added 18 points, a team-best 9 rebounds, 4 steals and 3 assists. And Schafer chipped in 16 points, 3 rebounds and 2 assists.

Other contributors for the Firebirds included: Burmester with 12 points; Allen with 7 points, 6 rebounds and 5 assists; and Follot with 6 points and 6 boards.

Freshman forward Damone Pledger (Detroit Finney) scored a game-high 26 points for the victorious Skippers, with sophomore guard Thad McFadden (Flint Southwestern) hitting for 23 points in the clash between the two conference foes.

The host Kirtland Community College men's basketball team led Oakland Community College the entire second half in dominating the visiting Raiders, 83-74, on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

Kirtland started to pull away midway through the first half, building a 10-point advantage, 39-29, at intermission.

And, with 14:36 to play in the second half, the Firebirds built their biggest lead of the night, 53-33, on a dunk by freshman forward Jerry Follot (Northwestern, MD), who scored a team-high 24 points. Follot also grabbed 7 rebounds and had a team-best 4 blocked shots.

Kirtland held Oakland to less than 33-percent shooting (25-of-76) on the night, while the Firebirds converted nearly 50 percent (29-of-59) of their shots. The Firebirds also were sharp at the free-throw line, hitting 21-of-27 (77.8 percent) in Saturday's home win.

Kirtland had four players score in double digits, including Follot. Sophomore guard Matt Tompkins (Fairview) tallied 17 points, 6 rebounds and 4 assists against the Raiders, while freshman forward Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) chipped in with 15 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists and 2 steals, and freshman forward Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy) added 10 points, a team-best 13 rebounds, 5 steals and 3 assists.

Other contributors for Kirtland (13-12 overall) included: freshman guard Mark Schafer (St. Ignace) with 9 points, 10 assists, 4 steals and 3 boards; and sophomore forward-center Josh Burmester (Roscommon) with 8 points and 6 rebounds.

The visiting Firebirds couldn't overcome a sluggish start in falling to host Macomb Community College, 97-78, on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

Kirtland scored 50 points in the second half of the clash with its conference foe last Wednesday night. But that wasn't enough to overcome a 42-28 halftime deficit.

"We didn't play well in the first half -- obviously," said Firebirds head coach Glen Donahue. "We started slowly."

Christian led a quartet of Kirtland hoopsters who scored in double digits by tallying 27 points, 6 rebounds and 5 assists against the host Monarchs.

Follot chipped in with 16 points, a team-high 18

rebounds, 4 assists and 4 blocked shots, while Allen totaled 13 points and 5 boards, and Burmester added 10 points and 5 rebounds in Wednesday's loss.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Tompkins with 6 points, 3 steals and 2 assists; Schafer with 4 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists and 2 steals; and Zeke Hayes (Grayling) with 2 points.

Kirtland Community College just couldn't keep up with Schoolcraft Community College in the second half of a men's basketball clash at the CRAF Center on Saturday, Jan. 27, falling to the visiting Ocelots, 93-72.

The host Firebirds trailed by five points, 43-38, at halftime and had closed the gap to just two points, 53-51, with 14:33 remaining in the second half.

But the Ocelots (13-7 overall, 8-3 conference) slowly pulled away, thanks in part to an outstanding shooting performance by freshman guard Joshua Samarco (Belleville), who scored a game-high 36 points, including hitting eight three-pointers. As a team, Schoolcraft tallied 11 three-pointers on the night.

Kirtland (11-10 overall) hit just five treys in the loss to its Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rival.

Freshman guard Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) connected for one three-pointer, while leading the Firebirds with 23 points, 4 assists and 4 steals. Freshman forward Jerry Follot (Northwestern, MD) knocked down a pair of treys in scoring 15 points. Follot also had 5 rebounds, 2 steals and 1 blocked shot.

Another of Kirtland's freshman forwards, Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy), chipped in 12 points and grabbed a team-high 13 rebounds. Firebird guards Matt Tompkins (sophomore, Fairview) and Mark Schafer (freshman, St. Ignace) each tallied 10 points and 4 assists in the loss, while sophomore forward-center Josh Burmester (Roscommon) added 2 points, 3 rebounds and 1 steal.

Mott Community College simply outgunned the visiting Firebirds for a 113-59 victory on Wednesday, Jan. 24.

The host Bears (18-2 overall), the top team in the MCCA's Eastern Conference at 10-0, hit 15 three-pointers in beating the Firebirds. Mott led at halftime, 62-30.

"They shot the heck out of the ball," said Kirtland head coach Glen Donahue. "We just got outscored."

Follot led the Firebirds with 22 points and 9 rebounds. Christian, who tallied 13 points in the loss, was the only other Kirtland player to score in double digits.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Burmester with 8 points and 2 rebounds; Allen with 7 points and 4 rebounds; Schafer with 5 points, 6 assists and 2 steals; and Tompkins with 4 points, 4 assists and 4 rebounds.

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POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings

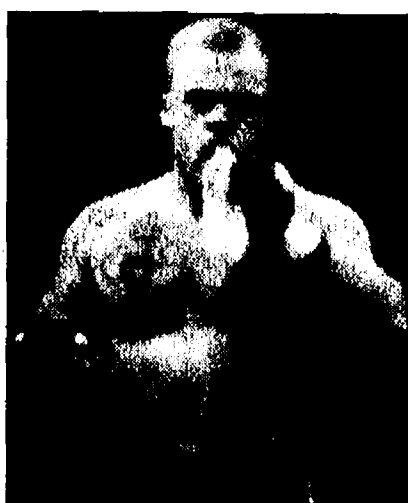
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HONORS (SPORTS)

Paul "Small Paul" Martin, a local mixed martial arts fighter, recently won a bout at Indianapolis and is now rated a contender in the 155-pound division in Elite Cage Fighting, a full contact sport. Martin won his match by knock-out 38 seconds into the first round.

Martin's next fight is scheduled for April 7 in Bloomington, Indiana.

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Paul Martin

KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

Women's Team

Plain and simple, the Kirtland Community College women's basketball team crushed Alpena Community College in a dominating 97-65 win at home on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

While the host Firebirds (11-17 overall, 7-11 conference) have had their fair share of ups and downs this season, they raced out to a 45-23 lead at halftime and never looked back in taking over the hoops clash against their Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rival.

"We just played really well," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter. "I told them (after the game) to keep this in mind and take it to the (postseason) tournament. If they play like this, they can play with anyone."

Firebird freshman forward Brittany West (Detroit Finney) scored on four three-pointers in connecting a game-high 22 points, while also grabbing 3 rebounds, as six Kirtland players scored in double digits.

"Today, everyone came to play," Ritter said. "Everyone out there helped us."

Sophomore center Chelsey Williams (Houghton Lake) tallied 17 points, 11 rebounds and 3 assists in Saturday's victory at home, with freshman guard Tiera Derrick-Jones (Detroit Northwestern) adding 14 points, 1 rebound and 1 assist.

Sophomores Rena Barnett (Pine River) and Onica Jones (Rush-Henrietta, N.Y.) each hit for 13 points against the visiting Lumberjacks. Barnett also chipped in with a team-high 7 assists, 6 steals and 3 boards, while Jones had a team-best 7 steals, 2 rebounds and 1 assist. Freshman guard Trisha Petersen (Grayling) joined the list of double-digit scorers for Kirtland with 11 points, 3 rebounds and 2 assists.

Other contributors for Kirtland included sophomore forward Natalie Foster (Houghton Lake) with 4 points, a team-high 12 rebounds and 4 steals, and freshman forward Alyssa Loney (Houghton Lake) with 3 points

and 3 boards.

Freshmen Deb Sjoquist (Lawrence) and Regina Robinson (Vanderbilt) each scored 19 points to help pace Alpena (2-23 overall, 1-17 conference).

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The visiting Firebirds couldn't overcome a bad night shooting the ball in a 65-51 loss to conference rival St. Clair County Community College on Wednesday, Feb. 14.

Kirtland upset St. Clair earlier this season, topping the Skippers, 80-74, on Jan. 13 in Roscommon. But the Firebirds would not be able to complete the season sweep of St. Clair, which was ranked fourth in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference standings.

The Firebirds connected on just 10-of-40 shots (25 percent) in the first half Wednesday, while falling behind the host Skippers, 34-24, at intermission. And the team's shooting didn't improve enough in the second half to fuel a potential rally, as Kirtland hit 10-of-36 (27 percent) of its attempts from the field after halftime.

"We played good defense," said Ritter. "We couldn't hit the bucket. Not that we didn't get (open) shots. They just didn't go down."

A pair of former Houghton Lake High School standouts, Foster and Williams, each scored 14 points to lead the Firebirds. Williams, Kirtland's starting center, also grabbed a team-high 9 rebounds in Wednesday's loss.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Barnett with 11 points; West with 6 points; Petersen with 4 points; and Jones with 2 points.

Freshman guard Kelly Burton (Brown City) paced the Skippers' winning effort with a team-best 16 points.

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The Kirtland Community College women's basketball team couldn't overcome a poor first half in falling, 59-54, to Oakland Community College on Saturday, Feb. 10, at the CRAF Center in Roscommon.

The host Firebirds hit only 6-of-28 shots (21.4 percent) in the first half, and found themselves trailing Oakland, 29-16, at intermission.

The Raiders pushed their advantage to as many as 18 points early in the second half.

Kirtland rallied midway through the second half and cut the lead to just two points, 56-54, with 1:05 left in regulation on an inside basket by sophomore Chelsey Williams (Houghton Lake).

"The last eight minutes of the game we came alive," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter.

But freshman guard Kaitlin Lang (Mott) hit a three-pointer with 54 seconds remaining to help Oakland secure the road win over its Michigan Community College Athletic Association, Eastern Conference rival. Lang scored 13 points in the victory, while sophomore forward-center Safiyyah Bibbins (Southfield) led the Raiders with a team-high 20 points and 16 rebounds.

Kirtland outgunned Oakland, 38-30, in the second half and held the visiting Raiders to 37-percent shooting for the game. But that wasn't enough to erase Oakland's 13-point halftime lead.

"We played good defense," Ritter said. "But we just couldn't put the ball in the basket."

Freshman forward Brittany West (Detroit Finney) led the Firebirds with 16 points, including hitting a pair of three-pointers, to go with her 8 rebounds, 1 steal and 1 blocked shot. Sophomore forward Onica Jones (Rush-Henrietta, N.Y.) was the only other Kirtland hoopster to score in double digits with 14 points, 5 rebounds and 1 steal in Saturday's loss.

West and Jones were the only two Firebirds to shoot 50 percent or better on the afternoon. West was 7-of-13 overall and 2-of-6 from behind the arch, while Jones converted 4-of-7 shot attempts and 6-of-8 free throws.

Williams, Kirtland's starting center, struggled against the Raiders, needing 22 shots to score 8 points. She also had 8 rebounds, 1 steal and 1 blocked shot.

"We were just cold," Ritter said of his team's shooting woes.

Other contributors for the Firebirds (10-16 overall, 6-10 conference) included: sophomore guard Rena Barnett (Pine River)

with 7 points, 5 assists, 4 rebounds and 2 steals; freshman guard Trisha Petersen (Grayling) with 4 points, 5 assists, 4 steals and 2 boards; sophomore forward Natalie Foster (Houghton Lake) with 3 points, 4 rebounds and 2 assists; and freshman guard Jessica Smith (Mio) with 2 points and 3 steals.

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Earlier in the week, the Firebirds held on for a hard-fought 75-73 win over host Macomb Community College on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

Trailing by a point late in the second half, the visiting Firebirds took possession of the ball with just 37 seconds left in regulation. After running the game clock to 11 seconds, Ritter called a timeout to set up what he hoped would be a game-winning shot.

It looked, however, as though Kirtland might come up short once again when Barnett missed on a three-pointer. The Firebirds fell to Delta College, 73-70, on Feb. 3 at home when they couldn't hit a trey attempt with 12 seconds left to tie the score and force overtime.

But, against the Monarchs, Williams gathered up Barnett's miss and scored. Williams was also fouled on the play and gave the Firebirds a two-point edge with 7 seconds to play after hitting the free throw.

Kirtland sealed Macomb's fate by stealing the ball in the final seconds, not allowing the Monarchs to get off a potential game-tying or game-winning shot.

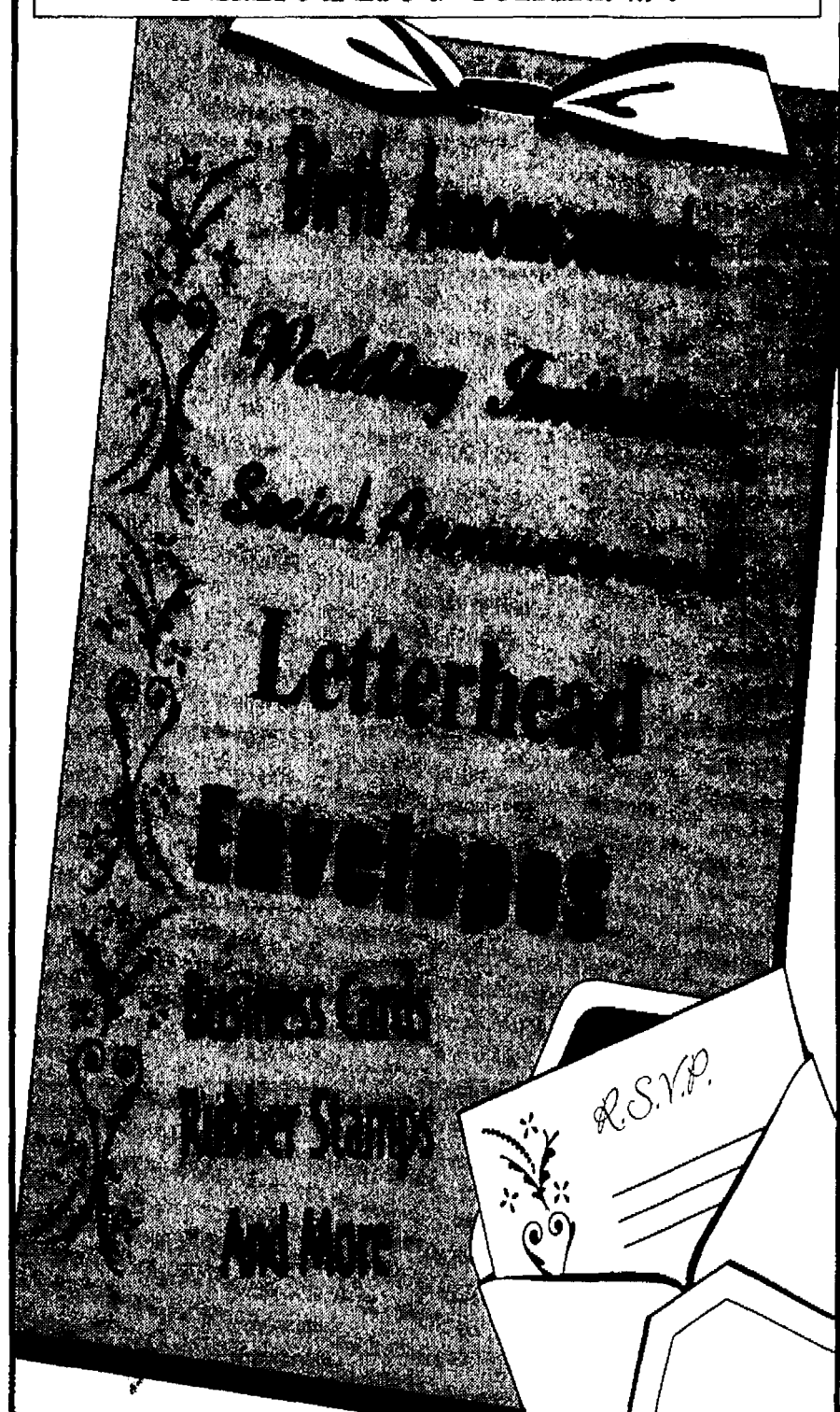
"It was a two- to four-point game all the way through," Ritter said. "It was back and forth all night."

Kirtland held a slim two-point advantage, 33-31, at halftime in the clash between the two conference rivals.

Barnett led the Firebirds with 24 points, 7 assists and 6 rebounds. Williams chipped in 22 points and grabbed 20 boards in the win.

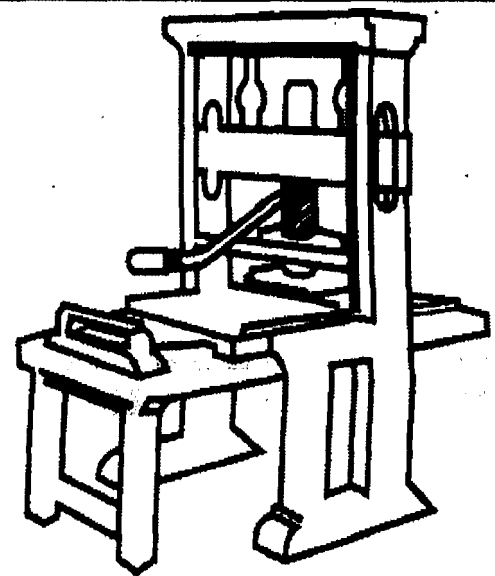
Other contributors for Kirtland included: Foster with 10 points and 7 rebounds; Petersen with 8 points and 4 assists; freshman guard Tiera Derrick-Jones (Detroit Northwestern) with 7 points; and West with 2 points and 2 steals.

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LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT; ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW.

ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.) may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Donald R. Burton, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), dated July 13, 2000, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on August 1, 2000, in Liber 513, Page(s) 394, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$36,060.48, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Donald R. Burton, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), together with interest at 11.00 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on March 14, 2007 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST, THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 330.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 43'00" WEST, 584.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 26'00" EAST 310.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 43'00" EAST, 584.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL BEING A PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2

WEST SUBJECT TO A 15.0 FOOT WIDE THEREOF SAID EASEMENT TO BE USED FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT 33.0 FEET WIDE LYING 16.5 FEET EACH SIDE OF AND ADJACENT TO A CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 956.50 FEET TO THE 1/8 LINE FOR THE PLACE OF ENDING. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 66.00 FEET WIDE EASEMENT LYING 33.0 FEET EACH SIDE OF A CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 24'00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH-SOUTH 1/4 LINE, 643.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 35'30" WEST, 634.15 FEET TO THE PLACE OF ENDING. A 60.0 FOOT RADIUS CIRCLE ALL OF WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THIS EASEMENT HAS AS ITS CENTER THE ABOVE NAMED POINT OF ENDING.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCLA 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.
Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.)

By: DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183)
Attorneys for Mortgagee
241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817
Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817
(231) 941-9660

Dated: February 1, 2007

-8-15-22-1-8

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Real Estate Mortgage made by COBBLE CREEK II APARTMENTS COMPANY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, by Rural Housing Corporation, whose address is 601 Abbott, East Lansing, Michigan 48823, and Mr. Thomas R. Runquist, whose address is 21400 Ridgeway Circle, Suite 250, Sterling, Virginia 20166, as General

Partners, to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the **ARMER'S Home Administration (now known as Rural Development)**, United States Department of Agriculture, with its State office being located at 3001 Coolidge Road, Suite 200, East Lansing, Michigan 48823, the Mortgagee, such Real Estate Mortgage being dated May 6, 1986 and recorded May 6, 1986 in Liber 245 of Crawford County Records on Pages 55 through 60, inclusive, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, and late fees, the sum of SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THREE AND 18/100 (\$663,293.18) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on **Wednesday, April 11, 2007 at 10:00 o'clock**, local time, in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 11.375 percent interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lands and premises situated in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan:

A parcel of land on part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, T26N, R3W, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 8, T26N, R3W; thence North 01°37'15" East, 1313.35 feet along the West line of Section 8; thence South 89°59'00" East, 901.61 feet along the East-West 1/8 line of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 8; thence North 01°33'00" East, 525.40 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence

continuing North 01°33'00" East, 129.85 feet; thence South 89°52'29" East, 39.92 feet; thence North 01°33'00" East, 120.00 feet; thence South 89°52'29" East, 240.00 feet; thence South 01°33'00" West, 249.97 feet; thence North 89°51'01" West, 279.92 feet to the point of beginning. (Also commonly known as the multi-family residential property known as Cobble Creek II Apartments at 402 & 410 Knight Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738; Tax Parcel No. 070-008-010-038-00.)

The Mortgage also contains certain additional covenants, which provide, in part:

"The property described herein was obtained or improved through Federal financial assistance. This property is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the regulations issued pursuant thereto for so long as the property continues to be used for the same or similar purpose for which financial assistance was extended or for so long as the purchaser owns it, whichever is longer.

This instrument also secures the obligations and covenants of the Borrower as set forth in the Borrower's Loan Agreement June 25, 1985, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

The borrower and any successors in interest agree to use the housing for the purpose of housing people eligible for occupancy as provided in Section 515 of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949 and FmHA regulations then extant during this 20 year period beginning May 6, 1986. No person occupying the housing shall be required to vacate prior to the close of such 20 year period because of early repayment. The borrower understands that should an unsubsidized project be converted to subsidized within 15 years from the date of the last loan on the project is closed, that the period will be increased by 5 years. The borrower will be released during such period from these obligations only when the Government determines that there is no longer a need for such housing or that Federal or other financial assistance provided to the residents of such housing will no longer be provided. A tenant may seek enforcement of this provision as well as Government."

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale. This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

pose.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure contact USDA, Rural Development, Attention: Mr. Ghulam R. Sumbal, Director, Multi-Family Housing Programs, at the above address for USDA, Rural Development, telephone (517) 324-5190.

Dated: February 26, 2007
UNITED STATE OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee

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(616) 842-1470

-8-15-22-29

MORTGAGE SALE
AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Rochell Childress, a single person of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Fifth Third Bank dated the 24th day of March, A.D. 2005, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 28th day of April, A.D. 2005, in Liber 675 of Crawford Records, on page 183, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$24,961.09 (Twenty Four thousand, Nine hundred Sixty One dollars and Nine cents) plus accrued interest at 13.34% (thirteen point three four) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 4th day of April, A.D., 2007, at 10:00 o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan,,

Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The North 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

Commonly known as: 2396 Shaw Park Rd.

Tax ID: 040-40-009-05-080-01

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 8, 2007

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

By: Michael I. Rich, (P-41938)
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Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.
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Troy, Michigan 48064
WWW#05689006

-8-15-22-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF NOTICE

File No. 07-7243-NC
In the matter of Jonathan Douglas Anderson-Stockner
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
whose address(es) are known and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:
TAKE NOTICE: Hearing on Petition to Change Name - May 9, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.

2-23-07
Keith William Stocker
10373 Nearville Rd.
Roscommon, MI 48653
989-275-6259

-1-8-15

LEGAL ACTION

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing is scheduled to receive public comment regarding a Special Use Permit in the R-2 (Multiple Family Residential) District for light retail at 403 E. Michigan Avenue (Property ID # 20-070-100-010-011-00).

The Public Hearing is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 13, 2007 in the Council Chambers at Grayling City Hall, 1020 City Boulevard. All interested parties may attend said Public Hearing and/or submit written comments to the Grayling City Planning Commission, c/o City Clerk, 1020 City Boulevard, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738. Inquiries may be directed to Steve Doyle, Zoning Administrator by calling 989-348-2131 or by email to: zoning@cityofgrayling.org.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact The Grayling City Office at 989-348-2131 seven days prior to the meeting.

Michele A. Moshier
City Clerk

Weight Restriction

As of Thursday, March 1, 2007 at 8:00 a.m., the Crawford County Road Commission has established seasonal weight restrictions for travel on all primary and local roads. At a minimum, commercial haulers are expected to comply with the Michigan Department of Transportation Standards, which includes load restriction of 35%.

After meeting with commercial haulers to determine reasonable application and enforcement procedures and routes, the following roads may be traveled while frost laws are in effect, in accordance with state law:

Old 27:	County line to County Line
County Road 612:	Old 27 (Frederic) East to I-75
Sherman Road:	North County Line to Landfill
North Down River Rd:	Business Loop East to I-75 Ramps

FROST LAWS RESTRICTED ROADS ARE SIGNED AND FROST LAWS ARE BEING ENFORCED.

In the event of a quick thaw, lesser loads may be required. Please contact Jed Blaauw, Superintendent at (989) 348-2281 ext. 25 with any questions regarding restricted roads.

This notice is being issued in coordination and cooperation with area road commissions.

By: Donald A Babcock, Managing Director
For: Kenneth Riehle, Chairman
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman
James Burtch, Commissioner

TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 6, 2007 at 9 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on;
Mon., March 12, 2007 9am - noon
1pm - 4pm

Thurs., March 15, 2007 1pm - 4pm
6pm - 9pm

All meetings will be held at the township hall, located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications, and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

CLASSIFICATION	FACTOR	RATIO
Real Property	50.00	1.0000
Agriculture	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss
Supervisor
Maple Forest Township

PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, March 15, 2007 at 6:00 PM in the Circuit Court Room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case# PB070018 Request 10' rear property set back variance from 50' to 40'.

Petitioner: Patrick J. Janks
6240 State Rd.
Lakeport, MI 48059

The above case refers to the following described property:
104 Hilltop
Roscommon, MI 48653

Legal description: LOT 11, BER-MAR WOODS NO. 1
Township: South Branch
Property Code: 064-160-000-011-00
Zoning District: LDR

All documents are available for review at, and comments should be sent to:

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department
200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting February 14, 2007

Members Present: Dennis Long, Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara, Terry Wright.

Members Absent: Shawn Krays.

Others Present: Jay L. Stephan, Jeff Cook, Larry Helvie, Jim Clements, Robert McReavy, Judy McReavy, Ed Nellist.

Supervisor Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS (No action required)

January recycling report, January Blight Enforcement report, January LMPOA newsletter, February COA newsletter, January E-911 Activity report, February Chamber News, Sheriff Dept 2006 Year End report, Building Dept. report.

1. Approval of the January 10, 2007 minutes was set-aside until March meeting.

2. Treasurer's report for January was distributed and placed on file.

3. There were no citizens that wished to speak on non-agenda items.

4. Mr. Jim Clements, representing a coalition of several northern Michigan county groups concerned with clear-cutting of state lands and the diminishing deer population addressed the Board. He distributed packets of relevant information and copies of two petitions concerning the above subjects for interested parties to circulate and forward to Lansing. The Coalition is approaching County Boards of Commissioners and Township Boards seeking support in an effort to convince the powers that make the decisions regarding clear-cutting and hunting licenses that their current practices are not working and are severely affecting the recreation, tourism and natural resources industries of the state and should be changed. Representative M. Gillard and J. Sheltrown are taking an active lead in this matter and will address the Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources Committee at a hearing on clear-cutting in mid-March. Others speaking in favor of curbing the above practices were Jay L. Stephan, Bob and Judy McReavy, Larry Helvie, and Ed Nellist.

5. Motion by Long, second by O'Mara, to authorize the Supervisor to draft a resolution to be forwarded to the Governor, our Senators, Representatives and County Board of Commissioners regarding the following: A. Oppose clear-cutting as a major forest management practice (propose moratorium) B. Disagree with the proposal to increase hunting license fees. C. ORV's on recreational forestland. Ayes; four, Nays; none. Absent; one. Motion carried.

6. Motion by Ashton, second by Ashton, to approve refund of a portion of Planning Commission fee for withdrawn Case #06-04SU in the amount of \$215.30 to Terry VanDeCar. Ayes; four, Nays, none, Absent; one. Motion carried.

7. Bids were received from two firms for the position of Grayling Township Auditor for FY 2006-07. After considerable discussion, a motion was made by Long and seconded by O'Mara, to enter into a three year contract with Keskin, Cook, Miller and Alexander LLP of Gaylord for Grayling Township's Annual Audit for the amount of \$5,500.00 per year. Ayes; four, Nays; none, Absent, one. Motion carried.

8. Consensus of the Board that Supervisor should be authorized to consult the Township Attorney concerning legalities of seeking a cease and desist order against Susan Thiel and the MDNR Forestry Division regarding clear-cutting and road closing practices on state land in Grayling Township.

9. Motion by Long, seconded by O'Mara that Grayling Township not establish a Fire Board of Appeals at this time, but proceed through the court system with the litigants named in the fire code violation. Ayes; four, Nays, none, Absent, one. Motion carried.

10. Board members reviewed the Fiscal Year-to date Budget Report presented by Ashton.

11. Motion by Long, second by Ashton, to adopt a Fiscal Year End-Close date of March 31 upon becoming a Charter Township. Ayes; four, Nays; none, Absent; one. Motion carried.

12. Motion to Long, seconded by Ashton, to approve payment of claims on vouchers 5082 through 5155, Board & Comm. Fees of \$420.00, Liquor inspections of \$120.00 and Fire Dept. construction loan payment of \$11,040.71 for a grand total of \$83,635.55. Ayes; four, Nays; none, Absent, one. Motion carried.

13. Motion to adjourn, carried (8:15 p.m.) Ayes; four, Nays; none, Absent, one. Motion carried.

Monica Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Stacey L. Hoover and Kimberly A. Hoover, husband and wife, mortgagors, to First National Bank of Gaylord, n/k/a Independent Bank, mortgagee. The Mortgage is, dated March 4, 2002, and was recorded on March 7, 2002, in Liber 0572 on page 406 through 414 of the Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$66,523.63, including interest at 7.25% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by

selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. local time, at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, and is described as:

Part of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 3, T26N, R3W, Grayling Twp., Crawford County, Michigan:

Commencing at the SE corner of said Section 3, thence N 1° 25' E (along the East section line), 662.07 ft to the Point of Beginning; thence S 89° 25' 40" W (recorded as N 89° 25' 40" W), 329.52 ft, thence N 1° 24' 05" E, 330.93 ft, thence N 89° 20' 40" E, 329.63 ft to the E section line, thence S 1° 25' W, 331.04 ft to the Point of Beginning. SUBJECT TO and use of a 33 ft road and utility easement lying 33 ft North and adjacent to a line described as commencing at the SE corner of Section 3, T26N, R3W, thence N 1° 25' E (along the East section line), 662.07 ft to the Point of Beginning; thence S 89° 25' 40" W 988.57 ft to the Point of Ending.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a (c) expires, whichever is later.

Dated: February 6, 2007

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER P.C.
By: Henry L. Knier, Jr. (P46393)
Attorney for Independent Bank,
f/k/a First National Bank of Gaylord,
Mortgagee
900 Washington Ave.,
P.O. Box 219
Bay City, MI 48707
(989) 892-4574

-15-22-1-8-15

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Edward Nickel, a single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration

Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 14, 2006 and recorded September 22, 2006 in Liber 683, Page 329, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Aurora Loan Services, LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Five and 79/100 Dollars (\$106,795.79) including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 28, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel K: A part of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 9, Town 25 North, Range 3 West. Commencing at the Southwest corner of said tract and running thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes East on the East and West one-quarter line 1640.25 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 1 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds East, 1328 feet, thence South 89 degrees 38 minutes East 328.3 feet, thence South 1 degrees 23 minutes 45 seconds West 1328 feet, thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes West 328.05 feet to the Point of Beginning. Excepting the following description known as Parcel 1-K: Being a part of the East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 9, Town 25 North, Range 3 West. Commencing at the East one-quarter corner of Section 9, thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes West along the East and West one-quarter line, 656.1 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 38 minutes West 328.05 feet, thence North 01 degrees 23 minutes 08 seconds East, 346.53 feet, thence South 86 degrees 50 minutes 33 seconds East, 328.29 feet, thence South 01 degree 23 minutes 45 seconds West, 330.48 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 22, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 191.1236

-22-1-8-15

NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 6, 207 at 7:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2007 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 12, 2007 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 15, 2007 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd. Grayling.

Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds
October 11, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Grayling has amended it's Sign Ordinance in the C-1 Zoning District (Downtown Commercial) as follows:

- Section 9 (3) Projecting Signs - increased maximum size to 24 SF from 12 SF.
- Section 9 (6) Freestanding Signs - increased maximum size to 32 SF from 12 SF and maximum allowable height to 6 feet from 5 feet.

These amendments go into effect seven days after publication. The amended language can be reviewed in the Clerk's Office.

Michele Moshier
City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing to determine the necessity for public improvements for the Michigan Avenue and Burton Court Streetscape and Infrastructure Project.

It is the intent of this project to replace certain sanitary sewer mains, storm sewer lines, water main lines, and water connections. In addition, the project will reconstruct Michigan Avenue to a 68' width and build a new streetscape. The General Overall Report with cost estimates is on file with the Clerk's office.

The public hearing will be held on Monday March 26, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at Grayling City Hall, located at 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling, Michigan. All interested parties may attend said Public Hearing and/or submit written comments by March 24, 2007 to the City Clerk, 1020 City Boulevard, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grayling City Office at 989-348-2131 seven days prior to the meeting.

Michele Moshier,
City Clerk

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 6th, 2007 at 10 a.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738, 989-348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9 am Monday, March 12th, 2007, until 12 noon and then 1 pm until 4 pm. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 15th from 6 pm-8 pm., and also Saturday, March 17th, from 9 am until 12 noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first come first served" basis. You can also protest by mail (via P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738) or fax to 989-348-6713.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO
Agriculture	50.00
Commercial	50.00
Industrial	50.00
Residential	50.00

Terry R. Wright, Supervisor
Monica Ashton, Clerk
MBOR/pak

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Craig A. Emery and Deborah L. Emery, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 4, 2002, and recorded on October 11, 2002 in Liber 600 on Page 3, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Nine And 00/100 Dollars (\$82,609.00), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 34, Shangri-La Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 3 and 4, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC R 248.593.1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #128816FO1
-15-22-1-8

MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian L. Davis and Dianne M. Davis, Husband and Wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 23, 2003 and recorded June 5, 2003 in Liber 637, Page 372, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Pooling and Servicing Agreement Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2003-4 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-4 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Five and 88/100 Dollars (\$99,185.88) including interest at 11.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 11, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 10 acres of the South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 3, Town 25 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 8, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000
File No. 221.5363
-8-15-22-29

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

FILE NO. 06-7020 CH
KELLY FOY and MICHAEL FOY
Plaintiffs
VS
JAY RICHARD HAWKINS and
MICHELLE DANA HAWKINS
Defendant

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.
By: Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)
Attorney for Plaintiffs
2373 S. I-75 Business Loop
P.O. Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738
(989) 348-5232
NOTICE OF LAND CONTRACT FORECLOSURE BY SALE

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered in the above-entitled cause on the 7th day of December, 2006, notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan on the 16th day of March, 2007 at 10:00 in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit: 116 Evergreen Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Property tax number 040-45-780-00-076-00 and otherwise known as Lots 76, 77, 78 Riverside and consists of a residential lot with residential dwelling, including an attached garage.

CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.
By: Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Chadwick J. Ellis, a Single Man aka Chad Ellis, original mortgagor(s), to CMA Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 28, 2005, and recorded on August 2, 2005 in Liber 676 on Page 464, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Chase Home Finance, LLC as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Seven And 93/100 Dollars (\$84,697.93), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 7, Block 20, Roffee's Addition to the Village (Now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #128722FO1
-15-22-1-8

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall

be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Edward A. Malinowski Jr., a single person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 11, 2005, and recorded on November 1, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 215, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Three And 76/100 Dollars (\$54,943.76), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, Hadley's Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC D 248.593.1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #128391FO1
-15-22-1-8

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DANIEL D. PEER and MICHELLE PEER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 21, 2006, and recorded on October 10, 2006, in Liber 683, on Page 597, and assigned by said mortgagee to INVESTAID CORPORATION, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Forty-Two Dollars and Four Cents (\$150,042.04), including interest at 12.440% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on March 21, 2007

Said premises are situated in Township of SOUTH BRANCH, Crawford County, Michigan and described as: BEING THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1 / 4, SECTION 13, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH. TAX ID NO. 063-013-006-020-00

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 90 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 8, 2007
INVESTAID CORPORATION
Mortgagee/Assignee
Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450
Southfield, MI 48075
-15-22-1-8

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Eric Hoffman, a Married Man and Tina M Hoffman, his Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic

Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 1, 2005, and recorded on June 21, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 992, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six And 73/100 Dollars (\$103,856.73), including interest at 6% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 21, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 61, Sherwood Forest No. 2, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 15, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 15, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #129251FO1
-15-22-1-8

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William G. Darmofal and Leona Darmofal, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 27, 2004, and recorded on September 29, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 733, and modified by agreement dated January 27, 2005, and recorded on March 14, 2005 in Liber 674 on Page 200, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Eight And 77/100 Dollars (\$94,868.77), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on April 4, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 622 and 623, Indian Glens of the Ausable #6, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 1-14, Crawford County Records. Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 1, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC R 248.593.1305
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #131554FO1
-1-8-15-22

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mike F. Bentley, a married man and Tammy Bentley, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Mortgage Services, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 2, 1998, and recorded on October 12, 1998 in Liber 465 on Page 202, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fidelity Bank, a Federally Chartered Savings Bank as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six And 58/100 Dollars (\$37,156.58), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on April 4, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots Numbered 4 and 5, Joh-Lyn-Dan Hills, according to the plat thereof, as recorded at Liber 1 of Plats, Page 70, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 1, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #130989FO1
-1-8-15-22

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John W. Dankert and Julie E. Dankert, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated February 18, 2005, and recorded on March 4, 2005 in Liber 674 on Page 37, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five And 52/100 Dollars (\$100,865.52), including interest at 5.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on March 28, 2007.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 186, Indian Glens of the Ausable, Unit 2, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 12, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 22, 2007
For more information, please call:
FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822
File #129540FO1
-22-1-8-15

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Linda Peters, a single woman, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 2, 2005 and recorded June 17, 2005 in Liber 675, Page 935, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-4 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-4 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Two and 09/100 Dollars (\$99,982.09) including interest at 8.2% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 28, 2007.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: That part of the East one-half of the East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 28, Town 27 North, Range 3 West lying North of the East Branch of the Ausable River. Subject to an easement for road purposes 20 feet wide granted across the North end of said premises and all that part of the East one-half of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 28, Town 27 North, Range 3 West, lying North of the middle line of the East Branch of the Ausable River, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

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Dated: February 22, 2007
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
(248) 457-1000 File No. 221.5189
-22-1-8-15

STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE

CASE NO. 06-4039GC
200 W. Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
989/348-2841
Our File No. E-11447
Plaintiff
Atlantic Credit & Finance Inc.
Assignee from Household Bank
Plaintiff's attorney
TIMOTHY E. BAXTER P28045
TIMOTHY E. BAXTER & ASSOCIATES
P.O. Box 2669
Farmington Hills, MI 48333
248/553-1155
v
Defendant
Foster J. Clark
146 S. Wakeley Bridge Rd.
Grayling, MI 49738

THE COURT FINDS:

1. Service of process upon defendant Foster J. Clark, cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 2.105, and service of process may be made in a manner which is reasonably calculated to give defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.

IT IS ORDERED:

2. Service of the summons and complaint and a copy of this order may be made by the following method(s):
First class mail to 146 S. Wakeley Bridge Rd., Grayling, MI 49738.
3. For each method used, proof of service must be filed promptly with the court.
Date: 2-2-07

Honorar Monte J. Burmeister
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FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
March 8, 1984

Tickets for illegal cutting of firewood in Crawford County have increased this winter from last winter, according to DNR Conservation Officer Mark Lutz, who works out of the Grayling field office. After last year's mild winter, some people didn't cut enough wood for this winter, Lutz said.

Crawford County Commissioners approved buying a micro-computer system with software and training through Michigan State University's Cooperative Extension Service for \$5,000. The system will handle payroll, budgets, and other data processing needs for the county.

Paul Hamlin and Mike Hickey hit pressure free throws in the final minute to hold off St. Ignace 69-67 in Grayling's last regular season basketball game.

Diane Atkinson and Gloria Stephan are the new owners of Bisque and Brush Ceramics, located at 403 Peninsular in Grayling.

Mac's Drug Store owners Larry and Maureen McNamara, along with sons Michael and P.J. held an open house for two major additions to their downtown building. Mac's now features a liquor store and a photo developing center in addition to their family run drug store.

Driving while intoxicated is the number one killer of young men and women in the 16-24 year age group. In an effort to educate students about the dangers of drinking and driving, and to help young people become aware of alcohol problems at local, state and national levels, Students Against Driving Drunk (S.A.D.D.) was formed. On Feb. 21, the initial development of this program reached our area when Houghton Lake High School invited Grayling High School representatives Kathy Partin, Tim Stephan, Stacey Steele, Anna Kengal and Michelle Barber to join in the S.A.D.D. program.

46 Years Ago
March 9, 1961

The Frederic Eagles dropped both of their final two regular games last week as they hit a cold night in Vanderbilt and lost 61 to 40 and at Alba by a score of 73 to 65.

Mrs. Willard Cornell won the 72 lbs. of bananas on the stalk which were to be given to whoever guessed the correct weight by Glen's Markets last week. Jerry Brubaker of Karen Woods, who works for Halloway Construction, won the pig which the market had on display in a similar contest recently, it weighed 139 1/2 pounds.

The Underground Forest All-Stars basketball team got back the victory trail, as they trounced the

Traverse City College All-Stars 79-58 at the Frederic High School gym.

The Grayling unit 106, American Legion and Auxiliary will mark the 42nd anniversary of the Legion with a birthday party of Saturday night, at the Legion Hall on US-27, just south of the AuSable River.

The Grayling Vikings basketball team, in their final scheduled cage contest of the season blasted the Gaylord Blue Devils at Gaylord by a score of 69-38.

A race was assured for the two seats on the Grayling City Council when four men filed their nomination petitions prior to the deadline. The terms of Leonard Knibbs and Wesley LaGrow are expiring, only Knibbs filed to run for re-election. Others who filed are Dr. Ralph Hoffman, Larry McNamara and William LaGrow.

69 Years Ago
March 10, 1938

Mr. Lee Huston, of Caro, in the very near future will open a new funeral home in the residence known as the Rasmussen home on the corner of Peninsular Avenue and Ionia Street. The home will be managed by Norman E. Butler, who has been an employee of Mr. Huston for some time.

With the crowning of two champions before a large crowd in the Grayling High School gym last Saturday night the annual District Tournament came to a close. After five sessions of battling, involving ten games in all,

Roscommon emerged as the Class D winner, and Grayling as the Class C winner.

Miss Martell Ison is the new waitress at the Plaza Grill.

Mrs. Roy Trudgeon is substituting in the third grade at Grayling Schools for Miss Agnes DeLong, who is ill in Bay City.

Coach Willard Cornell left today with his high school basketball team for Petoskey where they will participate in the regional basketball tournament.

92 Years Ago
March 11, 1915

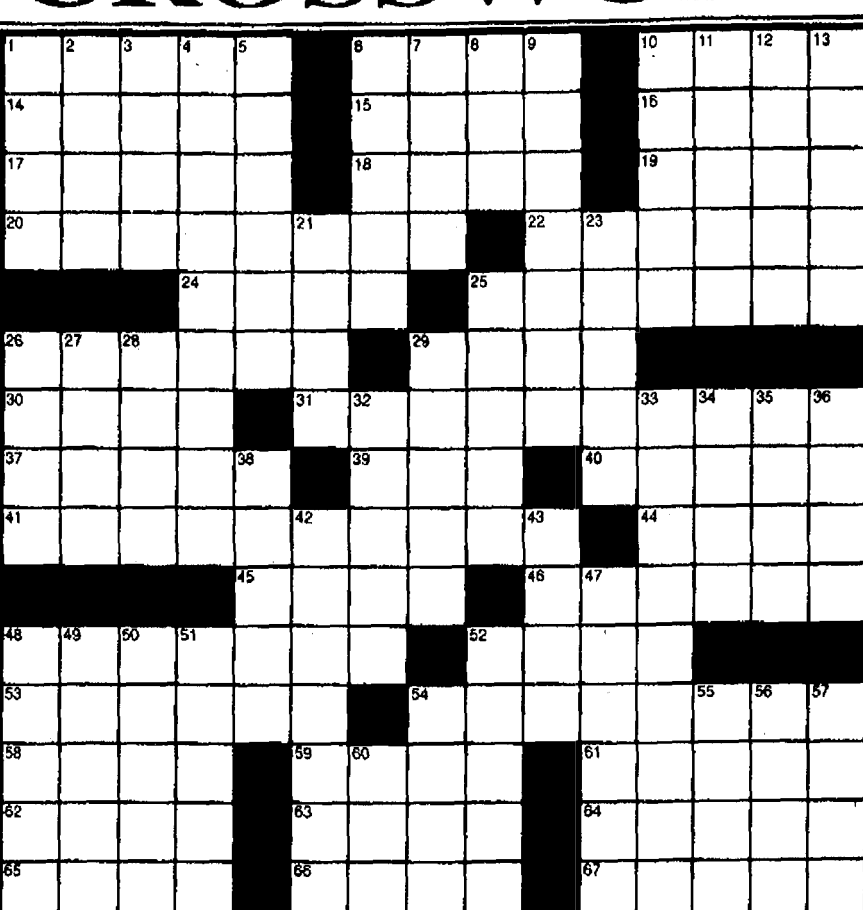
About eighteen members of the D.Y.P. society crowded into a sleigh last Sunday and drove out to the farm of H. Christofferson in Beaver Creek. It was a long ride and when they arrived there was a luncheon which had been brought by the young ladies of the party. After, old Danish games were played until a late hour.

March 22, will be Michigan Day at the San Diego exposition, and Grayling will be represented as far as we know at this time by N. Michelson, Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson, Miss Margrethe Hanson, and Miss Mary Jorgenson.

Thomas Brisboe is taking charge of yard duties at the M.C. railroad yards.

Miss Minnie Love of Roscommon, visited her sister, Mrs. Fred Blemore, the latter part of the week en route to Frederic where she will teach in a school near the village.

CROSSWORD



- Across
- Carbonated soft drinks.
 - Extension of land jutting out into water.
 - Rear part of the human body.
 - Exclusive of anyone.
 - Hale, Jr., skipper on Gilligan's Island.
 - Arthur Robert, first African-American player to win the U.S. Open singles championship in 1968.
 - Fabio, the voice of Italian metal.
 - Place of rest or retreat.
 - Stretch between two limits.
 - Resembling life in a monastery.
 - Surrounded by water.
 - Obstructs or impedes.
 - dicia, an indigenous plant of the West Indies.
 - Makes like new.
 - Italian for "it heals."
 - The angle between a branch or leaf and the axis from which it arises.
 - Albert, awarded 1952 Nobel Peace Prize.
 - Works by plowing, sowing and raising crops.
 - To be at rest in a horizontal position.
 - Mother-in-law of Ruth in the Old Testament.
 - Portable balances with two unequal arms.
 - To make turbid by stirring up the sediment of.
 - Characteristic hog noise.
 - To move rapidly.
 - Gels out of the way of.
 - Furlan, Ambassador Delenn on Babylon 5.
 - Hampton, jazz vibraphone soloist.
 - Sour liquids obtained by fermentation.
 - At some indefinite time in the past.
 - Ceased to be living.
 - Synonym for film.
 - Any of various workers in India, Sri Lanka or Malaysia.
 - Informal term for a meal.
 - Lacking in fitness or aptitude.
 - To hit with a sharp, slapping blow.
 - Something of no worth.
 - Donkeys.
- Down
- Period of freedom from rough waters.
 - Heavily spiced stew of meat, vegetables and chick peas.
 - Crazy person.
 - "Lee," poem by Edgar Allan Poe.
 - An alternating up-and-down or backward-and-forward motion.
 - Type genus of the Canidae.
 - Wilder, author of "Neurotic Goldfish."
 - Combination of dance steps.
 - To become twisted.
 - To hold something in place temporarily with long, loose stitches.
 - Poplar having leaves with flattened petioles.
 - Musical arrangement.
 - Mount, second-highest peak in Africa.
 - Acronym for Triple Screw Steamship.
 - To a high degree.
 - Touched clumsily.
 - Used to express disappointment.
 - To specify who goes off stage.
 - Longest river in the world.
 - To evade the performance of an obligation.
 - Groups united by common interests.
 - Small artemisia having pungent, narrow leaves.
 - Suit of extreme cut consisting of a thigh-length jacket and peg pants.
 - George, Palade, Nobel Prize winner.
 - To make turbid by stirring up the sediments of.
 - Area that slants.
 - Gave up a hit or run in baseball.
 - Front part of the leg below the knee.
 - Condition occurring from the retention of properties normally excreted in urine.
 - Type genus of the Elpididae; ten-pounder.
 - Solid, resilient strength.
 - Medium-brown color.
 - About, concerning.
 - Period of time about the middle of a continuing act.
 - Short for veterinarians.
 - Expression of greeting or leave-taking.
 - Brought by aging to full flavor.
 - Comes to an end.
 - Acronym for the International Astronomical Union.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



Texas Citrus Salsa

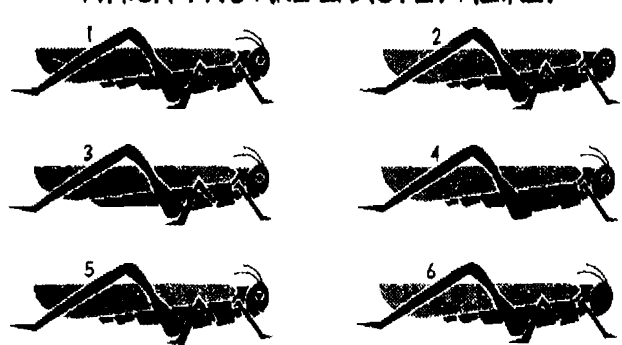
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| 1 grapefruit, sectioned and chopped | 3 tablespoons chopped red onion |
| 1 large orange, sectioned and chopped | 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro |
| 1 medium tomato, chopped | 1 1/2 teaspoons sugar |
| 1 cup diced bell pepper | 1 1/4 teaspoons salt |
| 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced | |

Mix grapefruit, orange, tomato, peppers, onion, cilantro and seasonings. Drain juice before serving. Serve with chips or use it to top grilled chicken or fish!

Yields 6 servings.



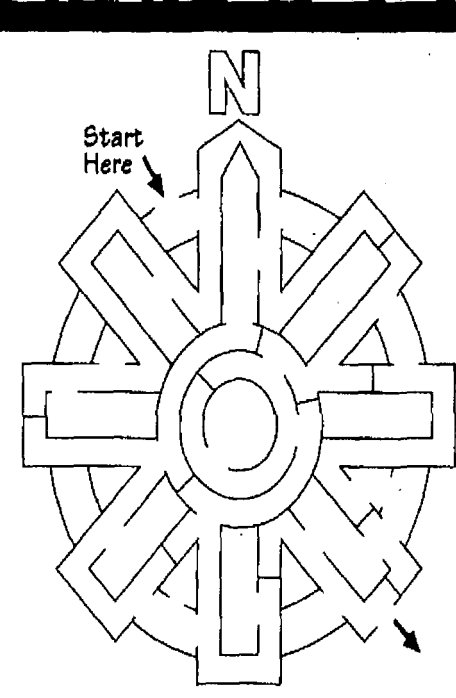
FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



DID YOU KNOW ??

The first United States coast to coast airplane flight occurred in 1911 and took 49 days.

MAZE



ADOPT A PET



We aren't sure how big they are going to be or even what breed mix these pups actually are. There are 7 little girls and boys waiting for homes. They are just 8 weeks old, had their first shots and been wormed. They are all beautiful and sweet.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall
Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
For more pets or more information, visit our website www.assc.net/finder.com

HOROSCOPES

For the week of March 8, 2007



December 22-January 19

A friend offers you the chance to get in on a great deal. Look before you leap. The advice you were hoping for comes from an unexpected source.



March 21-April 19

Relax, Aries. You don't need to foot your own horn anymore. Everyone knows how great you are. A blast from the past makes life interesting.



June 22-July 22

Your financial savvy is in demand. Don't underestimate your ability to say no. You don't run a bank and you don't get paid for your advice, so be sparing with it.



September 23-October 22

Bravo, Libra. You show great strength in the face of a crisis. A trip is coming up. You'll want some pictures, so don't forget to pack your camera.



January 20-February 18

A family spat occurs. Your neutrality won't last long unless you remove yourself from the situation. Time to concentrate on a home improvement project.



April 20-May 20

What a pleasant surprise, Taurus. A new friend stops by. Turn on the charm and pull out all of the stops to make them feel welcome.



July 23-August 22

A mix-up at home turns out to be a blessing. Be thankful and vow not to let it happen again. News from a friend throws you for loop.



October 23-November 21

What a mess, Scorpio. A situation at work deepens and life at home gets complicated. Don't worry. Someone you least expect will come to your rescue.



February 19-March 20

Congratulations, Pisces. You reach your goal at last. Invite some friends over to celebrate. Someone new comes into your life.



May 21-June 21

Your idea is appealing, but that doesn't guarantee it will be well received. Do your homework and make sure you can answer any counterpoints that may arise.



August 23-September 22

Focus, Virgo. You've spent too much time already pattering around. That pile on your desk isn't going to get any smaller unless you sit down and get busy.



November 22-December 21

A relative is in low spirits. Send them a card or letter and perk up their week. Your budget could use some work. Make time to reevaluate your expenses.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
Date	H	L	Precip.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
2/28	31	26	0.01						
3/1	32	21	0	High 29	High 36	High 41	High 40	High 41	High 42
3/2	28	24	0.52	Low 13	Low 28	Low 27	Low 28	Low 30	Low 30
3/3	30	23	0.12						
3/4	25	13	0.02						
3/5	30	11	0.07						
3/6	14	-16	t	Few Snow Shower	Snow Shower	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Showers	Showers

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$8.00 per column inch

Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday

Classifieds by the word rate - \$6.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:

www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com

Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate



Details and quality in this 3 Bedroom, 2 bath home. Finished walkout basement, screen room, huge porches...2x6 stick built with 9 foot ceiling. Heated & finished garage. Everything is immaculate! Bradford Lake Hills, only \$148,000 #5771

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Grayling

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling. Price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

REDUCED COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL M-72 West close to town, 2 lots, 103 feet, 2 bedroom mobile, new 4 inch well, footings and crawl space insulation, new paint and carpet and storage building. \$52,900 by owner. 989-348-7355 (12/7/06tf/1)

1. Real Estate

MUST SELL! Bank foreclosures, fixer uppers, company owned properties. Free list with pictures. Call Craig Hinkle, RE/MAX of Grayling, (989) 348-7440. (-8-22/1)

14 X 70 MOBILE HOME 8 miles west of Grayling on 1 plus acres. Call for more information. 348-2358. (LR3/29/07/1)

WHY RENT when you can own your home for less. Single wide 2001 modular home, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, all major appliances included \$26,000. For more info call 989-275-8172. (LR4/12/07/1)

2. For Rent

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

FULLY FURNISHED, SPOT-LESS 800 sq. ft. house near Lake Margrethe. \$650, plus utilities. Non-smoking only, references. 989-348-8627. (1/04/06tf/2)

LOVELY COUNTRY SETTING 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, full basement, garage, wood heat available. Short term lease available. \$600 per month, plus utilities. Call 348-2473. (1/25/07tf/2)

WEEKLY SPECIAL Fully furnished, \$119.99/week single, including HBO, telephone and free local calls. Grayling Inn, 989-344-9000. (LR3/15/07/2)

2. For Rent

RIVERVIEW SENIOR APTS. 306 Knight Street in Grayling has one bedroom units available for immediate occupancy by qualified applicants. Rent based on income. Community room and laundry area for residents use. Send this ad with application and your second month is free. Applications at office on site or by calling 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707 Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD # 1-800-855-1155. (-1-8/2)

FURNISHED 2 BEDROOM COTTAGE with garage, 1 1/2 miles north of Higgins Lake. Private but not isolated. \$500 a month, first and last months rent, credit report obtained. 989-939-8965. (-8/2)

2. For Rent

LOG HOME LARGE beautiful secluded on East Branch surrounded by Hartwick Pines. \$600 month, available May. 989-348-2229 (LR4/5/07/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath home for rent located close to town on Ausable Trail. Fully furnished including washer and dryer. One car garage, private setting with big yard. \$525 a month plus utilities. 989-370-0968. (-8/2)

IN CITY Lower unit for rent. One bedroom with washer/dryer hook-up. \$455 per month. Security deposit of \$455 required before moving in. Includes electricity, water/sewage, and garbage pick up. Call 989-348-4006 between 9 - 5:30. No pets. (-1-8/2)

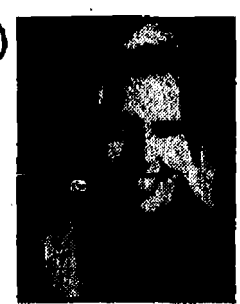


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Quality - with rustic flair! Beautiful 5 acres of hardwoods, Ausable State Forest across the road. 1,490 s.f., three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, and full partially finished basement. Knotty pine interior walls, vaulted pine ceilings, and six panel pine doors. Gas log stove fireplace. Double French doors onto private rear patio. Beautiful landscaped yard with sidewalks, covered porch, and rock gardens. Attached finished and heated garage with adjoining dog kennel. Detached garage is 32' x 40' finished and heated with overhead door and 16' ceiling. Rustic furniture available. CH-2478 \$229,500



NEW LISTING
1,000' SECLUDED AUSABLE RIVER FRONTAGE! Prime fly fishing water. Located downstream of Wakeley Bridge. Property backs up to State Land with no visible neighbors. Classic half log siding with knotty pine interior. 850 s.f. cabin with stone fireplace, hardwood floors, and exceptional views of the river only 25' away. Covered porch, riverside deck, and 8 x 12 dock. Updated heating, plumbing, well, and septic system. CH-2481 \$289,000



BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP - BLACKTOP STREET. Priced to Sell!! Below S.E.V.I. Conveniently located between Higgins Lake and Grayling. 1,296 s.f. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, vaulted ceiling, and 24' x 24' garage. Located between Higgins Lake and Grayling. CH-2421 \$72,900

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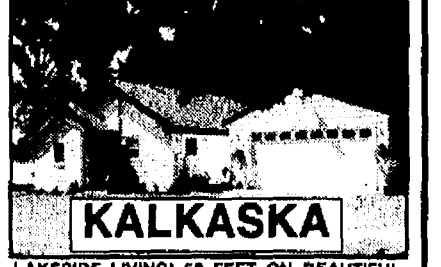
10 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS. This rolling terrain is full of wildlife and is close to state land. Electricity is at road and the access road is blacktop. CS-2217 \$32,000



LAKE MARGRETHE
NAUTICALLY INCL! This quality built home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths with 1920 sq. ft. Features include vaulted ceilings, recessed lighting, brick fireplace, open floor plan to kitchen, living and dining rooms. Kitchen offers beautiful oak cabinets with built in's and pull out drawers, built in pantry. Master bedroom suite offers double closets and full bath with separate tub and shower with seating. Home security alarm system. 2 car garage. Anderson windows and vinyl siding make this a low maintenance home. Nicely landscaped. CS-2465 \$209,900



A HOME WITH DRAMATIC FLAIR! This contemporary home, built in 1995 has a view of Lake Margrethe and paved public lake access 1/2 block away. Offers 3-4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 1,530 sq. ft., bonus room, kitchen offers ceramic counters and beautiful oak kitchen cabinets with pantry. Cathedral ceiling, recessed lighting, vinyl siding and windows, drywall throughout. 2 car finished heated attached garage. 2 sheds. Guest cottage or rental home. 2 bedroom, 1 bath offers 812 sq. ft. with walk out patio door onto large deck with seating. CS-2368 \$187,000



LAKESIDE LIVING! 56 FEET ON BEAUTIFUL CRAWFORD LAKE. Attractive waterfront cottage on 160 acre all sports lake, enjoy the sunrise from this clean 2 bedroom, 1 bath home offering 775 sq. ft. Features include open kitchen, dining and living area. Patio door off living room overlooking the lake. New maple floors in both bedrooms. Oak floor in kitchen and dining room. Drywall throughout with fresh paint. New bathroom vanity. Snack bar in kitchen. New aluminum deck with 8 x 10 platform. Turn Key. Possession at closing. CS-2368 \$177,000

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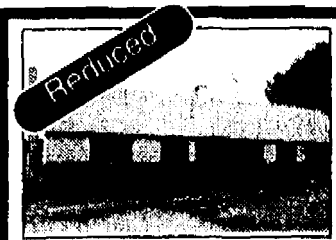
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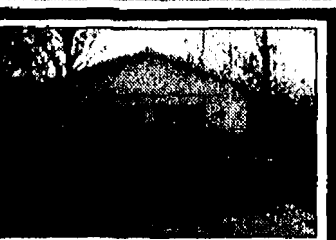
Just Listed
Extra large lot! Fenced back yard, perennial gardens, nice neighborhood, priced to sell. You've got to take a look! #249401 \$81,900



Reduced
Located in quiet neighborhood. This 1140 sq ft home sits on 1 acre. Home features 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, appliances, ceiling fan and newer Weather King Furnace. It needs some finish-up work and updates. Possible 15% of purchase price available to help cover closing cost. #246381 \$29,900



Charming well maintained home in country setting. 1,152 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, home has been recently remodeled. 30x40 insulated & heated garage. Road maintenance incorporated in tax bill. Close to Ausable River & adjoins thousands of acres of Huron National Forest property. #236061 \$97,500



Great home on Manistee Lake canal with 83' of frontage. Has seawall with power for your boat. Wonderful fenced-in yard, wrap-around deck, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, large great room and cozy breakfast area. 2-car garage is divided in half for private work area. 800 acre Manistee Lake is all-sports, good fishing, plus great winter & summer sports area. #238026 \$166,900



Here is the perfect family home with vinyl siding, newer windows, new roof in 1993, and full basement. Large master bedroom on 2nd floor with large closets and bath. Large corner lot is fenced in, garage offers 2nd floor for storage. #246623 \$86,900

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989-348-6481

VACANT
Nice parcel of hardwoods adjoins State Land with lots of deer, turkey, and other small game. Includes a driveway with 22x40 cement floor pole barn with 10' ceilings and a 8'x10' door. #247755 \$44,000
Building site in wooded area. Rolling hills and wonderful view. #14867 \$120,000
Very secluded property. Hardwoods, hunting camp special. Lots of orchards in the area. #241380 \$29,900
Beautiful building spot, very quiet with lots of wildlife. Includes amenities of Warbler's Hideaway Association - club house, pool, campground, shooting and bow range, and more. #241672 \$2,500
Ideal building site on 8th hole. Overlook this beautiful fairway from the deck of your new custom built home. Enjoy year-round recreation on golf course or winter skiing. #244586 \$39,000



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2. For Rent

ONE AND TWO BEDROOM duplexes, snowplowing, lawn care, trash pick-up. Non-smoking, \$395 and \$450. 808 and 810 Park Street 989-348-2178. (3/08/07t/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT nice location in city. Three bedrooms, den, formal living room, dining room, 2 baths, fenced yard. \$700 a month plus utilities. Call 989-348-2473. (-8/2)

3. Employment

ATTENTION DRIVERS no experience necessary. TMC Transportation needs drivers. \$650 per week guaranteed. Off weekends. Local CDL training. 800-882-7364. (LR3/29/07/3)

2007 NEW YEARS EXPANSION General help, \$600 per week to start. Qualify for February/March bonus. Local office outlet for large Michigan corporation has several immediate openings. No experience necessary. Call 1-866-731-7890 to set up an interview. (LR3/08/06/3)

EXPERIENCED HELP NEEDED at major franchise. Front desk, maintenance, housekeeper. Call 989-619-9199, or fax resume to 989-422-4600. (LR3/15/07/3)

NOW HIRING Progressive salon seeking hair stylists and nail technician who are talented, motivated, and energetic! Please call to schedule your interview at Salon Rue, 348-8555. (-8/3)

RN/LPN POSITION OPEN on the afternoon shift at Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation Community. Great working environment. Consider being one of the team. Apply today at: 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling, MI 49738. (-1-8/3)

VETERINARY HOSPITAL Client Relationship Specialist. Dynamic 4 doctor AAHA hospital looking for committed, positive, full-time employee with exceptional people skills to join our desk team. Group interview Wed., March 21, 2007 at 7 pm. Bring resume, references, and your smile to Grayling Hospital for Animals, 5806 W. M-72, Grayling, MI. (-1-8-15/3)

HELP WANTED Maintenance specialist, The Brook Retirement Community - Roscommon and Houghton Lake. 32 hours per week. Competitive salary/benefits. Stop at 195 State Street, Roscommon to complete an application or send resume by March 22. (-8-15/3)

2. For Rent

Senior Apartments available at **The Brook Retirement Communities**. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of Amenities, Activities, Beautiful Surroundings and Affordable Living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000 West Branch (989) 343-1400 Gladwin (989) 426-8700 Call or stop by today for a personalized tour.

COMMERCIAL SPACE

Currently available from **Jansen Warehousing** •500 s/f private, quiet, office with private restroom, heat and A/C. \$300/month •2300 s/f warehouse/shop/office in town. \$550/month •3600 s/f heated warehouse w/loading dock-4 OH doors - restroom and small office. \$1500/month

JANSEN WAREHOUSING 989-348-8818 Grayling, Michigan

3. Employment

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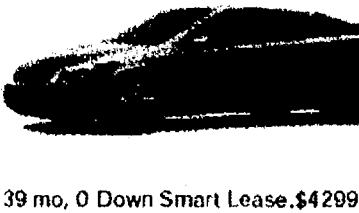


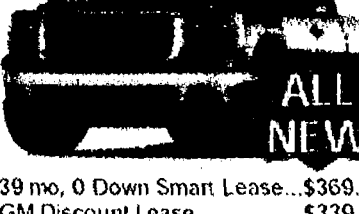

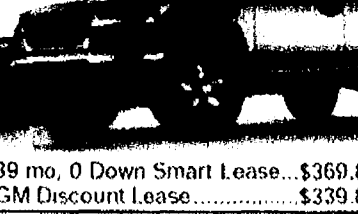
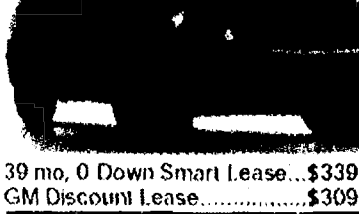
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